# STANDARDIZED TESTS USED FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION AND PLACEMENT IN CALIFORNIA DURING 1987

# I SCHOOL ADMISSION IEST

Allen, Bobbie, Carl, Donald, Edwin, and Faith were all born on July 4 at 3 00 a m

Allen is five years older than Edwin Bobbie and Donald are four years apart in age Edwin is three years younger than Donald Carl is two years older than Allen Donald and Faith are three years apart in age

Which of the following must be true, given this information?

- 1 Allen and Faith are five years apart in age
- 2. Donald and Allen are two years apart in age
- 3. Edwin and Faith are six years apart in age

If no two of the six persons are the same age, which of the following is the correct order of persons, from youngest to oldest?

- 1 Bobbie, Edwin, Donald, Allen, Faith, Carl
- 2. Bobbie, Faith, Edwin, Donald, Allen, Carl
- 3 Edwin, Donald, Allen, Faith, Bobbie, Carl
- 4 Edwin, Faith, Donald, Allen, Carl, Bobbie
- 5. Faith, Edwin, Donald, Allen, Bobbie, Carl

## CALIFORNIA POSTSECONDARY **EDUCATION** COMMISSION

### Executive Summary

Senate Bill 1758 of 1984 (Torres), codified as Education Code Sections 99150-99164, requires sponsors of standardized tests to report certain data, including financial disclosures, to the California Postsecondary Education Commission on an annual basis, provided the test sponsor administered the test to 3,000 or more test subjects in California during a testing year, a fee is charged the test subjects, and the test has been given for at least five years. Included under the law are tests used for admission to postsecondary institutions or programs, as well as those used for placement purposes in institutions or programs.

Under the law, the Commission must submit a summary report on these tests to the Governor, the Legislature, the Regents of the University of California, the Trustees of the California State University, the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction on or before March 1 of each year

This document is the third in the Commission's series of these annual summary reports. It briefly describes each of the nine standardized tests that fell under the purview of the law in 1987 and presents data pertaining to them Following an introduction that explains the report, Part One on pages 3-14 summarizes five tests used by undergraduate institutions, and Part Two on pages 15-16 describes four tests used for graduate and professional programs. Each of the sponsors of these tests complied with the provisions of the law regarding information to be submitted to the Commission, and pages 27-136 reproduce their financial disclosure data and other relevant information from them

The Commission adopted this report at its March 21, 1988, meeting, on recommendation of its Policy Evaluation Committee. Additional copies of the report may be obtained from the Library of the Commission at (916) 322-8031 Questions about the substance of the report may be directed to Dr Norman Charles of the Commission staff at (916) 322-8020

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## Introduction

IN 1978, California became the first state to enact "truth-in-testing," or "test disclosure" legislation (Senate Bill 2005, Dunlap). That law required sponsors of standardized admissions tests to file financial disclosure statements, copies of materials distributed to test-takers, and copies of recent tests with corresponding answers with the California Postsecondary Education Commission, provided that the test was administered to at least 3,000 individuals in California This information then became public record, available to interested parties through the Commission's library

The California law, and proposals for similar legislation in over two dozen states and in Congress, was brought about as a result of heated debate between critics of testing on the one hand, who argued that admission tests discriminated against certain groups and that the rights of test takers were not adequately protected, and groups on the other hand that defended the benefits of such tests, believed that the disclosure of tests to the public would not enhance public understanding of the role of tests in the overall admission process, and argued that government should not regulate this process leading critics of testing and advocates of legislation to regulate it were consumer-advocacy Public Interest Research Groups, with Ralph Nader as their national spokesperson Opponents to such legislation included test sponsors such as the College Board, test developers and administrators such as the Educational Testing Service, and leading educational associations such as the American Council on Education and the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (Greer, 1984, p. 322)

In 1979, New York enacted legislation requiring unlimited test disclosure and the return of tests and answers to test-takers. New York's law, which also provided procedures by which test-takers could challenge test answers and the score they received on the tests, became the model law on which other states and Congress based their proposals So far, however,

California has been the only other state to enact similar consumer protection -- Senate Bill 1785 (Torres, 1984), which is reproduced in Appendix A on pages 17-26 This report responds to that law

Sections 99152-99154 of the California Education Code, created by that law, require that sponsors of standardized tests used for admission or placement of students in California colleges file a financial statement, copies of tests with answers, and data relative to tests administered nationally and in California Section 99155 of the Code requires the California Postsecondary Education Commission to submit an annual report summarizing these test data to the Governor, the Legislature, the Regents of the University of California, the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, the Trustees of the California State University, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction In addition, the Commission is to maintain materials submitted by the test sponsors and make them accessible to the public

The testing year 1985-86 was the first in which the law was fully operational, and in response the Commission has published two previous reports in this series (1986, 1987) Each of the test sponsors has complied with the test disclosure and consumer protection provisions of the law, although several of them are still in the process of developing computer programs to obtain and report California test-score data by sex and ethnicity The data that are currently available have been included in this third report, and as the Commission receives additional data, they will be entered into the Commission's data base and referenced in future reports

This 1988 report contains brief summary statements about each of the tests for which the Commission has received information — in Part One, those used by undergraduate institutions, and in Part Two, those used by graduate and professional schools

 Part One describes five tests for undergraduate colleges — the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, the Scholastic Aptitude Tests, College Board

- Achievements Tests, the American College Test, and the Test of English as a Foreign Language
- Part Two describes four tests for graduate and professional schools — the Graduate Record Examinations, the Graduate Management Admission Test, the Law School Admission Test, and the Medical College Admission Test

Financial disclosure data and additional information pertaining to the tests are reproduced from the test sponsors in Appendix B

Because standardized tests play a major role in college admission and placement, it is important that students, parents, educators, and the general public

understand the purposes and characteristics of these tests and the uses of test scores. To this end, the sponsors of all tests summarized in this report provide high school and college counseling offices with information about their tests, including their statistical reliability and usefulness in predicting first year academic success. They also provide potential test takers with information bulletins describing the tests and containing sample questions from past editions of the tests. These pamphlets, brochures, books, and tests may be reviewed in the Commission's library at 1020 Twelfth Street, Sacramento, California 95814 Information about library hours may be obtained from Elizabeth Testa, Senior Librarian, at (916) 322-8031

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#### Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT)

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) is intended to measure the verbal and mathematical reasoning ability of high school juniors rather than their knowledge in specific academic areas In 1986, it was taken by 1,246,640 juniors, including 104,718 Californians -- an increase over the previous year of 65,069 nationally and 5,219 in California

High school juniors may take the test for several reasons. As its name implies, it serves as a "warm-up" for taking the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) in the senior year. It also serves as the basis for recognition and scholarships offered in the National Merit Scholarship Program, the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students, the National Hispanic Scholar Awards Program, and the Telluride Association Summer Program in the humanities and social sciences.

Following the correction of their tests, students receive a copy of the test book, a list of the correct answers, their own answers, their scores, and their percentile rank. This affords them the opportunity to check their errors, compare themselves with other test-takers nationally, and sense how they might score on the SAT. Students and their counselors may also determine areas where academic skills and preparation could be strengthened.

Display 1 below shows the ethnic composition of test-takers nationally and in California As might be expected, the proportion of Asian-American and Mexican-American students among the test-takers is much greater in California than in the nation at large, while the proportion of whites is lower, -- 61 percent compared to 82 percent nationally.

Display 2 on page 4 compares national and California mean verbal and mathematics scores as well as California scores by ethnicity and sex. National and California mean verbal scores remained virtually unchanged between 1985 and 1986, with California, at 40 4 on a scale of 20 to 80, remaining slightly be-

DISPLAY 1 Ethnic Background of High School Juniors Taking the PSAT/NMSQT in 1985 and 1986

		Natio	nal			Calıfo	rme	
Category	N	umber	Perc	ent	Nur Nur	nber	Perc	ent
	<u>1985</u>	<u> 1986</u>	1985	1986	<u>1985</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1985</u>	<u> 1986</u>
American Indian	5,146	5,746	0 5%	0.5%	694	747	0 8%	0 8%
Asian American	44,111	49,075	4 1	4.3	14,244	16,418	15 4	169
Black	78,542	87,724	73	7.7	5,287	5,539	57	57
Mexican American	23,111	26,162	2 1	23	8,928	9,651	97	100
Puerto Rican	9,016	9,736	08	09	224	240	02	02
Other Hispanic	15,682	16,949	1 4	15	3,005	<b>3,24</b> 1	3.3	33
White	897,878	938,784	82 9	82 0	58,354	59,207	63 1	61 0
Other	9,382	10,326	09	09	1,681	1,941	18	20
No Response	98,703	102,138			7,082	7,734		

Source. College Entrance Examination Board, 1987c.

DISPLAY 2 Mean Scores of California Juniors, by Ethnicity and Sex, taking the PSAT/NMSQT in 1986

			Ver	bal					Mather	natics		
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<u>Category</u>	Number	Mean	Number	Mean	<u>Number</u>	Mean	Number	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Number</u>	Mean	Number	Mean
Asıan American	16,416	37 9	8,012	38 3	8,393	37.5	16,414	48 4	8,009	50 <b>6</b>	8,394	46 3
Black	5,539	34 4	2,216	35 1	3,320	33.9	5,539	37 5	2,216	38.9	3,320	36.6
Mexican-American	9,650	34 9	4,133	35 7	5,506	343	9,649	393	4,133	41 3	5,505	37 9
Other Hispanic	3,241	35 6	1,327	36 6	1,913	34.9	3,241	40 0	1,327	42.3	1,913	38 5
White	59,207	428	26,957	43 5	32,234	42 3	59,190	46 7	26, <del>94</del> 8	49 1	32,226	44.7
Other	1,941	38 0	866	39 0	1,075	37 2	1,941	43 0	866	45.7	1,075	40.8
California	104,714	40 4	47,726	41 1	56,931	39 8	104,690	45 4	47,712	47 8	56,921	43.4
National	1,246,597	40 9	564,753	41 6	681,189	40 3	1,246,467	45 0	564,697	47 2	681,115	43.1

Source College Entrance Examination Board, 1986e, pp. 4 and 6-9, and unpublished reports

low the national mean of 40 9 Mean mathematics scores, however, remained at 45 0 nationally and increased from 45 3 to 45 4 in California This increase was particularly interesting because of the increased number of students taking the test in 1986 With increased numbers, mean scores might have been expected to decline as students from more diverse backgrounds participated

As was true in prior years, males who took the PSAT-NMSQT in 1986 scored higher than women on both its verbal and mathematics portions, nationally as well as in California. Considerable differences in scores occurred among ethnic groups in California, with white students averaging 42.8 on the verbal test, compared to 34 4 for Black students. On the mathematics test, Asian-American students had the highest average score -- 48 4, compared to 46 7 for white students and 37 5 for Black students

Although Displays 1 and 2 report scaled mean scores in tenths of points, the scores of individual students are rounded prior to being reported to them, and because no test can measure ability perfectly, the College Board encourages students and counselors to view scores in a range rather than as precise points on a scale. In the case of the PSAT/NMSQT, this range, or "standard error of measurement," is four points. Hence a reported score of 40 should be thought of as a true score of somewhere between 36 and 44. Small differences in reported scores, therefore, may not indicate any real differences in the ability of students.

#### Scholastic Aptitude and College Board Achievement Tests

The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and the College Board Achievement Tests are part of the College Board Admissions Testing Program, which also includes the Test of Standard Written English and the Student Descriptive Questionnaire

- The SAT is a two-and-one-half hour multiplechoice test that measures verbal and mathematical reasoning abilities related to academic success in college. It serves as a national common standard of measurement for colleges in compensating for the wide variety of high school course content and grading standards throughout the nation.
- The College Board Achievement Tests measure knowledge in specific subject areas and are required of students by some colleges for admission, placement, or both
- The Test of Standard Written English is a 30-minute multiple choice test adminstered with the SAT that can be used by colleges for placement of students in freshman English classes
- The Student Descriptive Questionnaire is completed by students taking either the SAT or the Achievement Tests and provides colleges with educational and extracurricular information about them

#### Scholastic Aptitude Test

"No psychometric instrument has received more media scrutiny and discussion or generated more controversy than the Scholastic Aptitude Test," Lloyd Bond has written in his "In Defense of Admissions Testing" (1986) "The remarkable feature of the controversy is the persistently contradictory nature of the arguments: It has been claimed at one time or another in the course of the debate that the SAT is overused, and that it is underused, that it is relatively insensitive to special preparation, and that it is very sensitive to such preparation, that it advances the cause of equity and access, and that it frustrates those goals, that it is one of the best predictors of college performance, and that it is next to useless in making such predictions. The list goes on and on"

Bond's comments summarize more than a decade of debate in books and articles about the SAT and serve to highlight not only an ongoing controversy regarding it but also its significance in the minds of many people, including publishers Yet the College Board and the Educational Testing Service -- the SAT's sponsor and creator -- constantly remind the public that it should not be considered the pivotal point around which a student's future career is thought to resolve As Gregory Anrig, president of the Educational Testing Service since 1981, has commented, "I urge people not to put too much weight on tests, to realize that they provide useful - but limited -- information" (1986) And Warren Willingham of the College Board has shown that persistent and successful extracurricular accomplishment in high school is a better predictor of leadership in college than high school grades or high SAT scores (1985, p 179) Thus, most prestigious colleges and universities use many other factors besides the SAT in making their admissions decisions. However, the SAT remains an important part of their overall evaluation, since, when considered along with high school grades, it remains the best measure for predicting first-year grades in college and, when combined with Achievement Test scores, the best predictor of success in college majors. Over a million high school students took the test in 1985 -- two out of every three going on to college -- and of the million, 117,198 were in California.

Both the University of California and the California State University use total SAT scores, combined with high school grade-point averages (GPA), as a factor in making admissions decisions. They use the combination of scores and grades to produce an "Eligibility Index" for admission. If students' grade-point averages are low, their combined verbal and mathematics scores on the SAT must be correspondingly higher—and vise versa, as Display 3 below shows. That display also indicates that University of California applicants with a grade-point average above 3 30 need take the SAT for placement only and that State University applicants with a grade-point average above 3 10 need not take the SAT at all

Display 4 on page 7 shows the mean verbal and mathematics scores of SAT test takers nationally and in California over the past five years, reported on scales from 200 to 800 As can be seen, mean verbal

DISPLAY 3 Abbreviated Eligibility Indexes of the University of California and the California State University, Using the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT), 1987-1988

Grade-Point	Minimum Scholastic	Aptitude Test (SAT) Score
Average (GPA)	University of California	The California State University
	If GPA is above 3 30, SAT 18 used only for placement purposes	
3 30	400	If GPA is above 3 10, SAT is not required
3 10	850	520
2 80	1550	760
2 40	GPA below 2 78 does not qualify.	1080
2 00		1400
		GPA below 2.00 does not qualify

Source California Postsecondary Education Commission

scores nationally and in California were nearly equal in 1981-82, but by 1986-87, California scored 6 points below the national mean of 430. On the mathematics test, however, California's mean score continued to surpass the national mean throughout the period and in 1986-87 exceeded the national mean by 6 points

Display 5 on page 8 reports five years of SAT mean scores by sex, nationally and in California At the national level as well as in California, men continued to score higher than women in 1986-87 on both the verbal and mathematics tests On the verbal test, the mean scores of California men improved and those of women in California remained constant, while the national mean for both men and women declined slightly from the previous years On that test, the gap between national mean scores and California scores had been widening over the past five years. In contrast, on the mathematics test, California men and women have both continued to surpass their national counterparts On that test, the scores of California men remained constant in 1986-87, while those for California women increased by two points

#### College Board Achievement Tests

College Board Achievement Tests are offered in 14 subject areas, with each test lasting one hour Display 6 on page 9 compares national and California mean scores, on a range of 200 to 800, for the three of the 14 taken most frequently by Californians. It shows that in 1986-87 as in 1985-86, Californians earned lower mean scores in each subject area than their national counterparts, with both national and California means improving over 1984-85, or remaining constant.

Applicants to the University of California must take three College Board Achievement Tests, including English Composition, Mathematics I or II, and one test from English literature, foreign language, science, or social studies Applicants to the California State University do not need to take any of the Achievement Tests, although they may use them for placement purposes

#### American College Test

Of the national high school graduating class of 1987,

777,444 had taken the ACT Assessment, primarily students in the Mid-West, Rocky Mountain and Plains states, and the South. Californian's were only 13,803 of the national total The ACT, however, is an alternate examination to the SAT for admission to both the University of California and the California State University The "eligibility index" using the ACT appears in Display 7 onpage 9

The four-part ACT Assessment is curriculum based, in that, it tests students' content-specific knowledge and skills, obtained and developed over three or four years of high school, in English, mathematics, social studies, and natural science A sound academic preparation is a prerequisite for doing well on Assessment Each of its four tests produces a raw score that is converted to a standard score of 1 to 36. The composite score used by the University and State University in their eligibility index is simply the sum of these four standard scores, divided by four

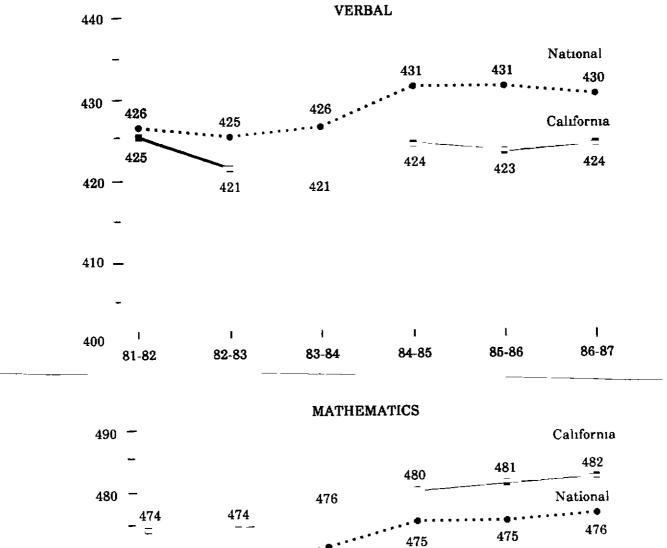
California students do well in composite mean scores, compared to their mid-western counterparts, as seen in Display 8 on page 9 The natural science test, containing 52 questions to be answered in 35 minutes, and covering the subject areas of biology, chemistry, physics, and physical sciences, is the only section of the ACT Assessmentin which California students' scores dipped close to national means

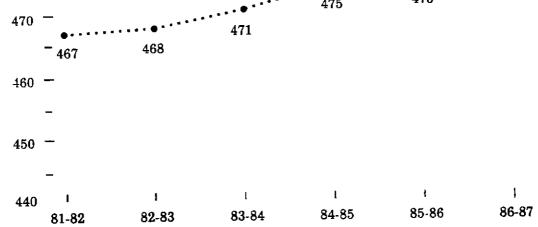
In 1986-87, the composite mean scores of males, both nationally and in California, continued to surpass those of females as shown in Display 9 on page 10 However, both male and female mean scores in California declined, dropping them closer to the national mean in each case.

#### **Advanced Placement Examinations**

About 30 percent of the high schools in the nation offer college level classes to their students. The curricular material are provided to the high schools by the College Board, and final examinations in each subject area are designated and administered by the Educational Testing Service Twenty-four Advanced Placement Examinations are offered, in 13 subject areas, each yielding a score of 1 (no recommendation) to 5 (extremely well qualified). More than a thousand colleges award either academic credit,

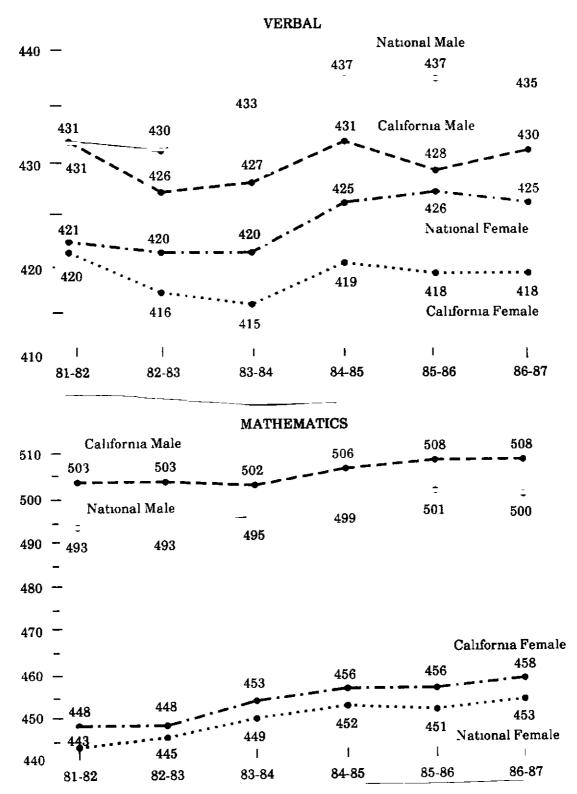
DISPLAY 4 National and California Scholastic Aptitude Test Mean Scores, 1981-82 Through 1986-87





Source College Entrance Examination Board

DISPLAY 5 National and California Scholastic Aptitude Test Mean Scores, 1981-82 Through 1986-87, by Sex



Source College Entrance Examination Board

DISPLAY 6 National and California Mean Achievement Test Scores in English Composition, Mathematics Level I, and Mathematics Level II, 1985-1986 and 1986-1987

	E	nglish Compo	eition			Mathematic	s I			Mathema	tucs II	
	No	mber	Me	<u> </u>	<u>N</u> n	mber	M_	AA.	Nus	nber	Mee	an .
	1986	1987	1988	1987	<u>1986</u>	1987	1986	<u> 1987</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u> 1987</u>	<u> 1986</u>	<u> 1987</u>
National	192,498	199,051	522	524	149,562	153,781	541	548	50,261	54,095	660	662
Calıfornia	39,563	43,038	496	496	32,087	35,331	518	525	10,079	11,100	646	646

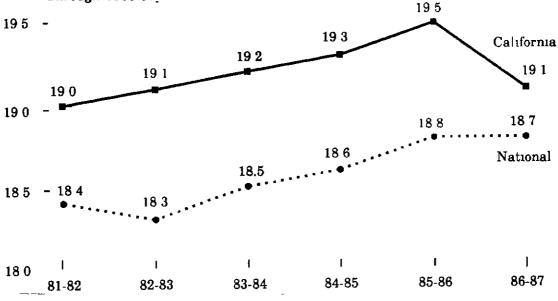
Source College Entrance Examinations Board, 1986e, p. 6, 1986f, p. 3

DISPLAY 7 Abbreviated Eligibility Indexes of the University of California and the California State
University Using the American College Test (ACT) Assessment, 1987-1988

	Minimum A	CT Assessment Score
Grade Point Average	University of California	The California State University
3 30	5	If GPA is above 3 10, ACT is not required
3 10	18	11
2 80	34	17
2 40	GPA below 2.78 does not qualify	25
200		33

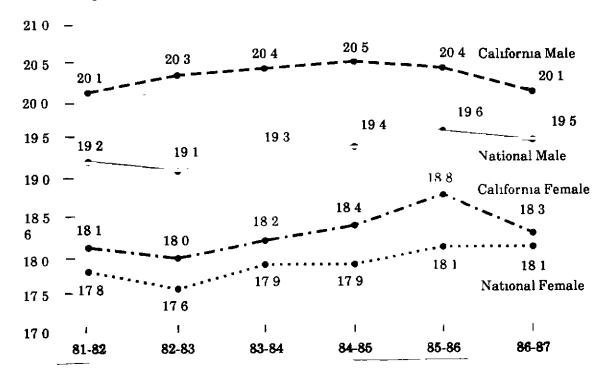
Source California Postsecondary Education Commission

DISPLAY 8 National and California American College Test Composite Score Means, 1981-82 Through 1986-87



Source American College Testing Program

DISPLAY 9 National and California American College Test Composite Score Means, 1981-82 Through 1986-87, by Sex



Source: American College Testing Program

advanced placement, or course waivers to students receiving a grade of 3 or better on an exam

In 1986, 228,606 students took Advanced Placement Examinations, including 37,378 from California Displays 10 and 11 compare national and California test takers by ethnicity on each of the subject matter examinations

Four of the examinations were taken by at least 25,000 candidates nationally, and by more than 3,400 students in California American History, Biology, English Literature and Composition, and Mathematics Calculus AB In each examination, mean scores received by California students exceeded national mean scores. The differences were most notable in Biology and in Mathematics

Nationally, among Blacks, Chicano/Mexican Americans, Asian Americans, and whites in 1986, Blacks achieved lower mean scores in each of the four major examinations, while Asian Americans received the highest mean scores Of the four ethnic groups, only

Asian Americans had mean scores greater than national means in each of the four examinations mentioned

In California, however, while Blacks also received the lowest mean scores, whites achieved the highest mean scores in American History and in English Literature and Composition, while Asian Americans received higher mean scores in Biology and in Mathematics

#### Test of English as a Foreign Language

The major purpose of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) is to evaluate the English proficiency of people whose native language is not English The test consists of three sections Listening Comprehension - Measures ability to understand spoken English, Structure and Written Expression -Measures ability to recognize language that is ap-

DISPLAY 10 Advanced Placement Program, National Total All Candidates by Ethnicity, May 1986

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propriate for standard written English, and Vocabulary and Reading Comprehension - Measures ability to understand nontechnical reading matter More than 2,300 colleges in the United States and Canada, as well as in other countries where English is the language of instruction, require the test of both undergraduate and graduate applicants for whom English is not their native language Last year over 398,000 people registered to take the test Educational Testing Service administers the test, in cooperation with the College Board and the Graduate Record Examinations, under three separate programs -- International, Special Center, and Institutional Programs. At both International and Special Centers, TOEFL is administered one day each month. These tests are then returned to ETS for scoring Under the Institutional Testing Program, colleges throughout the world administer the test to their

own students at their own convenience. In this program, ETS will score the tests, but it does not release the scores either to students directly or to other than the administering institution. Under this program, institutions have the option of scoring their own tests, and in such cases, do not report scores to ETS, and registration records of test takers are retained by the institutions and are not submitted to ETS.

National and California average test scores are not available for TOEFL, nor are other data available for either the number of tests administered in California or the number of test takers requesting that their scores be sent to California institutions. What information exists in the TOEFL Programs report prepared for the Commission appears on pages 67-84 in Appendix B to this report

#### **Graduate Record Examinations**

The Graduate Record Examinations consist of a General Test and seventeen Subject Tests used by graduate schools and departments for admissions, placement, and fellowships, and by fellowship donors for appraisals of prospective recipients of their awards. In the 1986-87 testing year, 300,854 registrants took GREs, an increase of 35,905 over the previous year. In California, 27,529 took the exams, up 2,167 over 1985-86. National and California average test scores, however, are not gathered by the Educational Testing Service, administrator of the tests

The GRE General Test is designed to measure verbal, quantitative, and analytical ability, through seven 30-minute test sections. The Subject Tests are designed to measure subject matter knowledge and understanding acquired in an undergraduate major, and considered basic to graduate study in that major Each Subject Test takes two hours and 50 minutes

In the Guide to the Use of the Graduate Record Examinations Program. 1985-86, statistical interpretation of scores for the 1981-1984 period indicate that the General Test scores are useful, when considered in addition to undergraduate grade point averages, in determining the admissibility of a candidate to graduate school. When predicting academic success in the graduate major, scores on the Subject Tests are more valid than are undergraduate GPAs (Graduate Record Examination Board, 1983)

Use of GRE scores for graduate admissions varies from campus to campus and department to department. Within the University of California, no campus has a GRE cutoff score. At the department level, some pay little attention to GRE scores, while others emphasize different portions of the test in admissions decisions

#### **Graduate Management Admission Test**

The Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) scores are one element used in evaluating candi-

dates for admission to advanced study in business and management, and in predicting academic success in the first year of graduate school. The GMAT measures general verbal and mathematical skills, rather than knowledge of a specific academic field GMAT scores are used by more than 800 graduate management programs throughout the world. During the 1985-86 testing year, 211,123 individuals sat for the 4-hour test, including 17,006 from California The national mean test score was 487; the State mean was 500 California students in every ethnic category scored higher than the national average Only the non-U S citizens in the rest of the country outscored those residing in California

Educational Testing Services (ETS), which administers the GMAT for the Graduate Management Admission Council, in analyzing past answer sheets of test-takers, concluded that a major problem for students was their failure to read, or follow, instructions To counter that tendency, the Council, in their Bulletin of Information, repeatedly emphasizes to registrants the need to read the directions carefully. Sample questions are also provided with each set of directions, along with an answer key A more helpful publication, The Official Guide to GMAT, published by ETS, in addition to providing helpful information on test-taking, and a quick math review, contains three recent GMATs, with answers, for practice.

A number of validity studies of the GMAT have been conducted and published since 1955, the most recent being GMAC Validity Study Service. A Three-Year Summary (Wightman and Leary, 1985). The results of studies published since 1972 are summarized in Graduate Management Admission Test. Technical Report on Test Development and Score Interpretation for GMAT Users (Hecht and Schrader, 1986) Although 500 was the mean GMAT-Total score for examinees in 1954, on a scale of 200-800, the mean for recent test takers was 478. Throughout the period studied, however, the GMAT has maintained a high reliability coefficient among different forms of the test, and the standard error of measurement, which provides some idea of how much variation in observed scores might be expected if a test taker took several forms of the test, have been consistently at 26-27. Thus, if a student has a reported score of 500, it is estimated that that score would be ±26 or ±27 in two-thirds of repetitions of the test that student might take. Test score users are urged, therefore, to look at this range of scores, rather than a specific number, in comparing students' scores. Also, throughout the period from 1954, a combination of GMAT—Total scores with undergraduate GPAs—has had a significantly higher correlation with first-year grades than have undergraduate GPAs alone.

# enough to provide for adequate statistical analysis of reliability and predictability nationally. However, individual law schools have worked with the Law School Admission Services to analyze their own students' scores and first-year grades. Based on these preliminary analyses, the correlation between combined undergraduate GPA and LSAT, and first-year law school grades, is greater than either undergraduate GPAs, or LSAT scores alone

The "new" LSAT has not been administered often

#### Law School Admission Test (LSAT)

The Law School Admission Test (LSAT) is used by all accredited and most nonaccredited law schools across the nation as one factor in determining the admissibility of students. During the 1986-87 testing year, 101,254 people took the test, including 10,090 California residents. 5,528 males, and 4,562 females The national average test score was 29, the State average, 29 2

The LSAT consists of six 35-minute multiple-choice reading comprehension sections, and a 30-minute writing sample section. Two of the multiple-choice sections are considered pre-test, and are not scored. The writing sample also is not scored, but is submitted to law schools for their use in reaching decisions concerning admission. Since the new version of the test was inaugurated in June 1982, scores on the combination of four multiple-choice sections are reported on a scale of 10 to 48. The four different types of reading sections used in the test are intended to evaluate reading, understanding, and analyzing skills of prospective law students and are based on a broad range of academic disciplines, thereby giving no advantage to candidates from a particular academic background

As with other tests, there is a booklet containing sample test questions provided to each registrant for the LSAT. The booklet not only explains each type of question, but offers a suggested approach to addressing the question. To prepare for the half-day testing session, registrants are advised to take the four 35-minute practice tests in one sitting, without a break, timing themselves to exactly 35 minutes on each section, and otherwise simulate the actual testing environment as much as possible.

#### Medical College Admission Test (MCAT)

The scores received by those taking the Medical College Admission Test are only one factor, but an important one, used by medical schools in determining admissibility of students Other factors usually considered by admissions committees are undergraduate grades, the undergraduate courses taken by applicants, the college attended, and the recommendation of the applicant's health profession advisor Each admissions committee looks for candidates who would benefit most from the type of medical education offered at their particular school High scores on each of the six parts of the MCAT, therefore, do not necessarily guarantee an applicant consideration for admission. The Association of American Medical Colleges emphasizes this to test-takers and encourages them to attempt to match their own profile with that of the appropriate medical schools.

In addition to the six tests which have been the MCAT since 1977, a seventh test calling for an essay was added as a pilot project starting in 1985. The purpose of the essay is to measure the communications skills of the applicant. This pilot project is currently being evaluated by a committee of the AAMC to determine the desirability as well as feasibility of including an essay question as a permanent part of the MCAT.

During the 1986-87 testing year, 38,557 tests were administered, including 3,797 to Californians.

Scores on the MCAT subtests have high validity in predicting first-year grades in medical school. However, the undergraduate GPA/MCAT composite is a better predictor than either the GPA or the MCAT scores alone.

## Appendix A: Senate Bill No. 1758 (1984)

#### Senate Bill No. 1758

#### CHAPTER 1505

An act to repeal and add Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 99150) to Part 65 of the Education Code, relating to-education.

[Approved by Governor September 27, 1984. Filed with Secretary of State September 28, 1984]

#### LECISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1758, Torres. Postsecondary education. standardized tests. Existing law requires any entity which sponsors a standardized test to report certain data, including financial disclosures, to the California Postsecondary Education Commission, and to provide specified information to test subjects prior to the administration of a test.

This bill would repeal and recast existing law and would expand the type of information which a test agency or test sponsor, as defined, must submit to the commission. The bill would also expand the information which must be provided to test subjects and would require each test agency to prepare clear, easily understandable written descriptions of each standardized test it administers, as specified.

The bill would also require a test agency to review and decide cases of suspected test score inauthenticity or irregularity according to a specified procedure, based upon the substantial evidence standard.

This bill would also prohibit the release or disclosure of any test score identifiable with an individual test subject, as defined, except as specified.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows

SECTION 1. Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 99150) of Part 65 of the Education Code is repealed.

SEC. 2. Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 99150) is added to Part 65 of the Education Code, to read.

#### CHAPTER 3. STANDARDIZED TESTS

99150. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that

(1) Education is fundamental to the development of all residents and to the progress of the state as a whole.

(2) Standardized tests are a major factor in the admission and placement of students in postsecondary education.

(3) There is increasing concern among residents, educators, and public officials regarding the proper uses of standardized tests in the

admissions and placement decisions of postsecondary education institutions.

(4) The rights of test subjects should be assured without infringing upon the proprietary rights of the test agencies.

(b) It is the intent and purpose of the Legislature in enacting this

chapter to do all of the following:

- (1) Ensure that test subjects and persons who use test results are fully aware of the characteristics, uses, and limitations of standardized tests used in postsecondary education admissions and placement.
- (2) Ensure due process protection of test subjects whose scores are being questioned for suspected inauthenticity or irregularity in test administration.
- (3) Provide test subjects with the opportunity to review the basis on which the test subject has been scored.
- (4) Make available to the public appropriate information regarding the procedure, development, and administration of standardized tests.
- (5) Promote more knowledge about the proper use of standardized test results and promote greater accuracy, validity, and reliability in the development, administration, and interpretation of standardized tests.
- 99151. (a) "Admissions data assembly service" means any summary or report of grades, grade point averages, standardized test scores, or any combination of grades and test scores, of a test subject used by any test score recipient
- (b) "Commission" means the California Postsecondary Education Commission.
- (c) "Standardized test" or "test" means any test administered in California at the expense of the test subject which is used for the purposes of admission to, or class placement in, postsecondary educational institutions or their programs, or any test used for preliminary preparation for those tests.

"Standardized test" or "test" includes, but is not limited to, the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test, the Scholastic Aptitude Test, the College Board Achievement Tests and Advanced Placement Tests, the ACT Assessment, the Graduate Record Examination, the Medical College Admission Test, the Law School Admission Test, the Dental Admission Testing Program, the Graduate Management Admission Test, and the Miller Analogies Test.

The standardized test does not include a test, or part of a test, which has been in use for less than five years, or which is administered to a selected group of individuals principally for research, pre-test, equating, guidance, counseling, or for the purposes of meeting graduation requirements of secondary schools and postsecondary educational institutions.

Tests which are administered as supplements or auxiliaries to another test, or which form a specialized component of a test, may

be combined for the purposes of this chapter.

- (d) "Secure test" means any test which contains items not available to the public and which, to allow the further use of test items and to protect the validity and reliability of the test, is subject to special security procedures in its publication, distribution, and administration.
- (e) "Test subject" or "subject" means an individual who takes a standardized test.
- (f) "Test sponsor" or "test agency" means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, company, firm, institution, society, trust, or joint stock company which develops, sponsors, or administers standardized tests.

(g) "Testing year" means the 12 calendar months which the test agency considers either its operational cycle or its fiscal year

- (h) "Test score" or "score" means the value given to the test subject's performance on a standardized test, administered by the test agency, whether reported in numerical, percentile, or any other form.
- (i) "Test score recipient" means any person, organization, association, corporation, postsecondary education institution, or governmental agency or subdivision to which the test subject requests or designates that a test agency report a test score.

(j) "Score reporting service" means the reporting of a test subject's standardized score to a test score recipient by a test agency

(k) "Test preparation course" means any curriculum, course of study, plan of instruction, or method of preparation given for a fee which is specifically designed or constructed to prepare or improve a test subject's score on a standardized test.

(1) "Test program" means all of the administrations of a test of the

same name during a testing year.

99152. Each test sponsor shall report the closing date of its testing year to the commission by February 1, 1985, or within 90 days after it first becomes a test sponsor, whichever is later. Each test sponsor shall report any change in the closing date of its testing year within 90 days after the change

99153. On or before November 15 of each year, the test sponsor shall submit to the commission all of the following data and

information:

(a) Three copies of each version of the test which was disclosed in the prior testing year, along with the corresponding acceptable answers, and the methods used to convert raw scores into the test scores reported to test subjects and test score recipients, together with an explanation of that method.

(b) The dates of major or national administration of each test

administered by the test agency during the testing year.

(c) The total number of test subjects who have taken the test once, who have taken it twice, and who have taken it more than twice during the testing year.

(d) The total number of test subjects who registered for, but did not take, the test.

(e) The total amount of fees received from test subjects by the test

agency for the test for that testing year.

(f) The expenses to the test sponsor of the test, as follows:

(1) Those expenses which are directly attributable to the test.

(2) Those expenses which are indirectly attributable to the test. However, if the test sponsor also sponsors another test or related activities, it shall be sufficient for compliance with provisions of this section for the test sponsor to list indirectly attributable expenses, to the extent that they are identifiable, as they are proportionately related to the test. The test sponsor shall also list expenses indirectly attributable to all activities of the test's sponsor, including expenses not identifiable as attributable to a test.

The financial disclosure required by this section shall be submitted within 135 days after the close of the testing year and in sufficient detail to indicate the major categories of revenues and expenses associated with the test. Except as provided in this section, the information for different tests administered by the same test sponsor

shall be reported separately and by individual test.

(g) A copy of all documents, pamphlets, and literature provided

to the test subject and the test score recipient.

(h) Where applicable, the national average test scores, state average test scores, the standard error of measurement, and any other existing information relevant to a comparison of the test scores of the state's test subjects with test scores of previous test subjects of the past five years.

(i) For those tests used to predict academic performance, the most recent national or regional aggregation of data concerning the

predictive validity of all of the following:

(1) Academic record or grades alone.

(2) Standardized test score alone.

(3) Academic record and test score combined.

(4) Standardized test scores over and above the predictive validity of academic record alone.

(j) Using available data, the racial, ethnic, and sex breakdown of

all test subjects taking each test during the testing year.

(k) If a separate fee is charged test subjects for admissions data assembly service, the test sponsor shall report information concerning the data assembly service in substantially the same form as would be required for a test under this section.

(1) This section shall not be construed to require any test agency to submit to the commission any reports or documents containing information relating to any individual test subject. Any information relating to any individual test subject shall be deleted or obliterated from any reports or documents filed with the commission pursuant to this section.

(m) This section shall not apply to any standardized test which is

administered to fewer than 3,000 test subjects in California during a testing year.

99154. (a) Within 90 days of the close of each testing year, the test sponsor shall file with the commission standard technical data sufficient to describe the psychometric quality of the test.

For purposes of compliance with this section, it is sufficient to deposit with the commission information conforming to the guidelines specified in the Standards for Educational and Psychological Tests of the American Psychological Association, which were in effect 180 days prior to the testing year, and which are appropriate to the particular test and its uses.

(b) Data, reports, or other documents submitted pursuant to this section shall be accompanied by a description of the test, including. but not limited to, the title, purpose or purposes of the test, and when and where the test was administered in the state.

(c) Data, reports, or other documents submitted pursuant to this chapter shall not contain information in a form identifiable with individuals or particular postsecondary educational institutions.

- 99155. The commission shall prepare and submit an annual report regarding standardized tests of the state's test subjects to the Governor, the Legislature, the Regents of the University of California, the Board of Covernors of the California Community Colleges, the Trustees of the California State University, the California Postsecondary Education Commission, and the Superintendent of Public Instruction on or before March 1 of each year This report shall include a descriptive summary of existing data and information submitted to the commission pursuant to Section 99153, including all of the following:
  - (a) The number of California students taking standardized tests.

(b) The performance of California test subjects.

- (c) The predictive validity of test scores as specified in subdivision (i) of Section 99153.
- (d) A description of the information specified in subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) according to the sex and ethnicity of test subjects

(e) The revenues received by test sponsors, and the proportion of those revenues expended for test development and administration

- 99156. A test agency shall prepare a clear, easily understandable written description of each standardized test it administers. A copy of the appropriate description shall be provided to the test subject or the test score recipient prior to the administration of the test or coinciding with the initial reporting of a test score. The description shall include all of the following information.
- (a) The purposes for which the test is constructed and intended to be used.
- (b) For those tests used to predict performance, the subject matter included on these tests and the knowledge and skills which the test purports to measure
  - (c) Statements designed to provide information for interpreting

the test scores, including the explanations of the test, the standard error of measurement, and for those tests used to predict performance, the correlation between test score and performance.

(d) Statements concerning the effects and uses of test scores,

including both of the following:

- (1) If the test score is used by itself or with other information to predict future grade point average, a summary of existing data on the extent to which the use of this test score will improve the accuracy of predicting future grade point average, over and above all other information used.
- (2) A summary of existing data on the extent to which the improvement in test scores results from test preparation courses.

(e) A description of the form in which test scores will be reported, and whether the raw test scores will be altered in any way before

being reported to the test subject.

(f) A complete description of any promises or covenants which the test agency makes to the test subject with regard to any of the following matters:

(1) The accuracy of scoring.

- (2) The time period within which the test subject's score will be reported to the test subject and to the test score recipients.
- (3) The privacy of information relating to the test subject, including his or her test scores.
- (g) The property interest in the test score held by the test subject, if any.
- (h) The period of time the test agency will retain the test score, and the test agency's policies regarding the storage, disposal, and future use of test scores.
- (i) A description of all special services which will be provided at the location of the test administration to accommodate handicapped or disabled test subjects.
- (j) The policies and procedures of the test agency when there is a delay in reporting the test scores pursuant to Section 91160.

(k) A representative set of sample test items.

(1) The fees to be charged by the test sponsor for various services made available to the test subject.

(m) Each test agency shall comply with the requirements of this section beginning with the start of its testing year which begins after

January 1, 1985.

99157. (a) Within 90 days of the release to the test subject of the results of a standardized test as specified in subdivision (c), and upon the request of the test subject, the test sponsor shall provide to the test subject an opportunity to examine operational test questions and answers under closely monitored conditions. The examination shall occur at a location to be mutually agreed upon by the test sponsor and test subject.

Unless authorized by the test sponsor, questions, answers, or copies of questions or answers shall not be removed from the facility, except

by a representative of the test sponsor During the examination of test materials, the test subject may file with a representative of the test sponsor, and with an educational institution or institutions seeking results of the test examined, a written protest to any question or answer.

(b) As an alternative to the procedure described in subdivision (a), and within 90 days of the release of the results of any standardized test score to the test subject, and upon request of the test subject, the test sponsor shall make available to the test subject the test materials, including operational test questions, a copy of the test subject's response to each question, the test subject's raw scores, a copy of scoring and scaling instructions, a copy of the correct responses, and a copy of the conversion factor or table, or both.

Each test sponsor shall, prior to the administration of a test, give written notification to the test subject of his or her right to request and receive test disclosure as provided in this section.

- (c) Except for test administrations described in subdivision (d), the test sponsor shall provide to test subjects the test materials specified in subdivisions (a) and (b) for not fewer than 50 percent of regular test administrations, as determined by the test sponsor. If the application of 50 percent results in a number which includes a fraction, the number shall be rounded to the nearest larger whole number.
- (d) In order to accommodate test subjects who, because of religion, are unable to participate in regular test administrations, the test sponsor shall provide test materials specified in subdivisions (a) and (b) to test subjects of not fewer than one non-Saturday test administration during every 12-month period following December 1, 1984.
- (e) Each test sponsor shall, prior to the administration of a test, give written notification to the test subjects of their right to request and receive test materials as provided in subdivisions (a), (b), and (c), provided that the request has been made within 90 days of the release of the test score to the test subject.
- (f) The test sponsors may charge a nominal fee, not to exceed the direct costs thereof, for test materials provided pursuant to this section.
- (g) For the purposes of this section only, a "standardized test" or "test" means any test administered in California to at least 3,000 individuals during a testing year and which is designed for, and formally required by, institutions of postsecondary education in California for the purposes of admission to those institutions for undergraduate studies. This section does not apply to tests that have been administered for less than five years, the College Board Achievement tests, the Advanced Placement tests, the Medical College Admissions tests, or the test of English as a foreign language.

99158. If the test agency will be delayed in reporting a test subject's score for a time period amounting to 10 calendar days

beyond the period specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) of Section 99156, the test agency shall notify the test subject immediately. The notice shall indicate the reasons for delay, including, but not limited to, incorrect, incomplete, or inconsistent personal identifying information furnished by a test subject.

99159. (a) Whenever a test agency is presented with information which renders the test subject's test score suspect, whether that information is in the form of allegations of collusion or cheating, or irregular test administration, or irregular statistical data, or any other form, the test agency is responsible for reviewing the information and determining if withholding the test subject's score is warranted.

(b) If the test agency determines that withholding the test subject's score is warranted, the test agency shall give the test subject written notice of the test agency's decision. The notice shall be sent by registered mail not later than five working days after the test agency's decision.

(c) The notice to the test subject shall include all of the following:

(1) A complete summary of the information submitted to the test agency and relied upon by the test agency to withhold the score.

(2) A complete summary of the pertinent facts surrounding the

(3) A statement of the test subject's right to receive, upon request, details supporting complete summaries referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2).

(4) The policies and procedures that were followed by the test agency in reviewing and rendering a decision to withhold the test score.

(5) The potential consequences which may result from the investigation, such as withholding or invalidating the test scores.

(6) A summary of the information that may be submitted to the test agency by the test subject to support the authenticity of the test score.

(7) A statement informing the test subject that the opportunity to respond to the notice will be afforded for not more than 15 working days following the date the notice was delivered. No final decision on the question of suspected irregularity or inauthenticity shall be rendered by the test agency until the test subject under investigation has responded, or the time for doing so has expired, whichever occurs first.

(d) After the time period specified in paragraph (7) of subdivision (c) has expired, the test agency shall review all of the evidence and shall render a decision regarding the authenticity of the score.

No test agency shall cancel or invalidate a test subject's test scores on the basis of an alleged irregularity or inauthenticity unless, after all evidence has been considered by the test agency, substantial evidence resulting from an investigation conducted pursuant to this section supports the cancellation or invalidation.

99160. (a) Whenever the test agency determines that substantial

evidence exists to support cancellation or invalidation of a test score, the test agency shall provide the test subject with a choice of the following options:

(1) A cancellation of the test scores in question, with full refund

of all test fees.

(2) Opportunity to take the test again privately and without charge.

(3) Opportunity to seek judicial review of the matter

(b) The test subject shall have 30 days following receipt of the notice by registered mail to respond to the notice of inauthenticity.

(c) If the test subject responds to the notice of inauthenticity or irregularity of test scores sent by the test agency within the time period specified by subdivision (b), the test agency shall review the contents of the response and comply with one of the following:

(1) If the test subject requests cancellation of the test scores, a full refund of all test fees will be provided within a reasonable period.

(2) If the test subject requests an opportunity to take the test again privately and without charge, the test agency shall make appropriate accommodations that are mutually agreed upon by the test agency and test subject so that the test subject has sufficient time to prepare for the retest. The retest shall be given in a reasonable and timely manner.

(3) Nothing in this section precludes the parties from seeking resolution of the testing problems by either judicial review or selection.

arbitration.

(d) The test agency shall not release confidential information to any authorized test score recipients regarding a test subject under pending investigation, unless authorized to do so by the test subject.

- (e) The test agency shall immediately release the test score to the test subject and the test score recipients where no substantial evidence exists to render the inauthenticity or irregularity of the test score.
- (f) The procedures prescribed in Section 99159 and this section do not apply to instances where the cancellation of all test scores results from the complete disruption of the administration of the test, such as by natural disasters, national emergencies, inadequate or improper test conditions, answer sheet printing errors, or testing agency errors.

(g) Time procedures described in Section 99159 and this section shall not apply in those instances where test scores have already been

reported to test score recipients.

99161. (a) No test agency shall release or disclose any test score identifiable with any individual test subject, in any form whatsoever, to any test score recipient, unless the agency is specifically authorized by the test subject to release that test score to the recipient. A test agency may, however, release all scores received by a test subject on a test to anyone designated by the test subject to receive the test score

(b) A test agency may release test scores and other information in a form which does not identify any individual test subject for purposes of research, studies, and reports primarily concerning the test itself.

99162. Any information or report required to be submitted to the commission pursuant to this chapter shall be public record subject to disclosure under the provisions of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to diminish or authorize the infringement of any rights protected by law relating to copyright, to the protection of trade secrets, or other proprietary rights.

99163. Any test sponsor who intentionally violates any provision of this chapter shall be liable for a civil penalty not to exceed seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750) for each violation.

99164. If any provision of this chapter or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the chapter which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this chapter are severable.

## Appendix B: Test Sponsor Materials

Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/ National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test

September 22, 1987

Or. Horace Crandell Postsecondary Administrator California Postsecondary Education Commission 1020 Twelfth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Dr. Crandell:

The California Education Code, Part 65, Chapter 3, requires the College Board, as a sponsor of standardized tests, to file with the Commission specified information for the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test. The enclosed information related to this test is submitted in compliance with the requirements of Section 99154.

Sincerely,

John Vaccaro Director

Admission & Guidance Services

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#### Enclosures:

- (1) PSAT/NMSQT Interpretive Manual, 1986
- (1) About Your PSAT/NMSQT Scores, 1986
- (1) ETS Test Analysis Report of the of the PSAT/NMSQT October Administrations Report No. SR-86-109
- (1) A Counselor's Guide to Helping Students Learn From the PSAT/NMSQT
- (1) 1986 Student Bulletin For the PSAT/NMSQT
- (1) Listing of Schools that Received Student Reports or Administered the PSAT/NMSQT on Saturday, October 18, or Tuesday, October 21, 1986 = grade level report

November 6, 1987

Dr. Horace Crandell
Postsecondary Administrator
California Postsecondary Education Commission
1020 Twelfth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Dr. Crandell:

Education code Section 99151 requires the College Board, as a test sponsor, to file with the Commission certain information specified in Section 99153. The enclosed information is for the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Sincerely,

John Vaccaro

Director

Admissions and Guidance Services

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#### Enclosures:

- (1) Section (c) (d) Test Taking Pattern Information
- (1) Section (e) (f) Financial Information
- (3) Form S October 18, 1986 PSAT/NMSQT
- (3) Form T October 21, 1986 PSAT/NMSQT
- (1) Answer Keys for Form S and Form T of the 1986 PSAT/NMSQT
- (1) Student Bulletin, 1986 PSAT/NMSQT
- (1) About Your 1986 PSAT/NMSQT
- (1) 1986 PSAT/NMSQT Supervisor's Manual
- (1) 1986 PSAT/NMSQT Interpretive Manual
- (1) Counselor's Guide to Helping Students Learn from the PSAT/NMSQT
- (1) PSAT/NMSQT Summary Report for National, Regional, and California College Board Juniors, 1986
- (1) Announcement of 1986-87 Test Dates
- (1) 1986 PSAT/NMSQT California Summary Reports By Ethnic Background

#### THE COLLEGE BOARD

Report to the California Postsecondary Education

Commission Pursuant to California Education Code (Senate Bill 1758 - Torres)

State of California

The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (c) (d).

This data is based on all national and international test administrations of the PRELIMINARY SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST/NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING TEST during the 1986-87 testing year.

	PSAT/NMSQT Test
The total number of times the test was taken during the testing year	1,638,830
The number of individuals who took the test	
Once Twice	1,638,830 -0- -0-
More than twice	_6_
The number of individuals who registered for but did not take the test	N/A*
*The PSAT/NMSOT is school-administered; therefore, not register individually.	students do

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### Torres Report For Year Ended June 30. 1987

The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (e)

PSAT/NMSOT TEST

Fees received from test takers in the College Board's PSAT/NMSQT Test

Test Fees \$8,277,640

The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (f)

PSAT/NMSOT TEST

Expenses directly Attributable to the PSAT/NMSQT Test

Cost of Test Administration \$ 682,078

Direct support of test administration: publications. transcript services, etc. 643,170

Program direction <u>709.847</u> \$2.035.095

PSAT/NMSOT TEST

Expenses indirectly attributable to the PSAT/NMSQT TEST

Support services: publications regional offices, etc. \$ 536,000

Associational and Administrative expense 183,000

Research and Development <u>168.239</u> \$ 887.239

Total expense directly and indirectly attributable to PSAT/NMSQT test \$2.922.334

### Torres Report for Year Ended June 30. 1987

Expenses identifiable as Scholastic Aptitude Test, Achievement Test, PSAT/NMSQT Test and Advanced Placement Tests have been allocated thereto. Joint costs have been allocated based on the Test volumes involved.

The following information is also provided in compliance with Section 99153 (f)

	Total
Total expense attributable to all activities including expenses not identifiable as attributable to the test	
Support services: publications, general offices, etc.	\$10,411,089
Associational and administrative expense	10,774,720
Research and Development	<u>3.093,654</u> \$ <u>24.279,463</u>

# Scholastic Aptitude Test and College Board Achievement Tests

November 6, 1987

Dr. Horace Crandell
Postsecondary Administrator
California Postsecondary Education Commission
1020 Twelfth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

### Dear Dr. Crandell:

Education code Section 99151 requires the College Board, as a test sponsor, to file with the Commission certain information specified in Section 99153. The enclosed information is for the Scholastic Aptitude Test and the College Board Achievement Tests.

Sincerely,

John Vaccaro

Director

Admissions and Guidance Services

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### Enclosures:

- (1) Section 99153 (c) (d) Test Taking Pattern Information
- (1) Section 99153 (e) (f) Financial Information
- (3) 5 SATS, 1987 Edition
- (1) Registration Bulletin, SAT and Achievement Tests, 1987-88
- (1) Taking the SAT
- (1) Taking the Achievement Tests
- (1) Using Your College Planning Report, 1987-88
- (1) 1987-88 ATP Guide
- (1) Guidelines on the Uses of College Board Test Scores & Related Data
- (1) Announcement of 1986-87 Test Dates

Western Regional Office

September 22, 1987

Dr. Horace Crandell Postsecondary Administrator California Postsecondary Education Commission 1020 Twelfth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Dr. Crandell:

The California Education Code Part 65, Chapter 3, requires the College Board, as a sponsor of standardized tests, to file with the Commission specified information for the Scholastic Aptitude Test and the College Board Achievement Tests. The enclosed information related to these tests is submitted in compliance with the requirements of Section 99154.

Sincerely,

John Vaccaro Director

Admissions & Guidance Services

JV:sah

#### Enclosures:

- (1) Using Your College Planning Report, 1987-88
- (1) ATP Guide for High Schools and Colleges, 1987-88
- (1) Registration Bulletin, 1987-88 (Western Edition)(1) Supervisor's Manual, 1987-88
- (1) Taking the SAT
- (1) Taking the Achievement Tests
- (1) Test Center List, 1986-87

### THE COLLEGE BOARD

Report to the California Postsecondary Education
Commission Pursuant to California Education Code (Senate Bill 1758 - Torres)
State of California

The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (c) (d).

This data is based on all national and international test administrations of the Scholastic Aptitude Test during the 1986-87 testing year.

	Scholastic Aptitude Test
The total number of times the test was taken during the testing year	1,979,061
The number of individuals who took the test Once Twice More than twice	1,575,259 178,637 14,918
The number of individuals who registered for but did not take the test	193,997

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### Torres Report For Year Ended June 30. 1987

### The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (e)

	Scholastic Antitude Test
Fees received from test takers in the College Board's SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST	
Test Fees Transcripts, Score Reports, etc.	\$22,770,000 \$ <u>12,233,281</u> \$ <u>35,003,281</u>

### The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (f)

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	Scholastic Aptitude Test
Expenses directly Attributable to the SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST	
Test development, analysis and validation	\$ 2,352,518
Cost of Test Administration	17,849,931
Direct support of test administration: publications, transcript services, etc.	11,977,247
Summary reporting services	715,087
Program direction	<u>570,033</u> \$ <u>33,464,816</u>
	Scholastic Aptitude Test
Expenses indirectly attributable to the SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST	
Support services: publications regional offices, etc.	\$ 1,874,800
Associational and Administrative expense	2,305,500
Research and Development	483,716 \$ 4.664.016
Total expense directly and indirectly attributable to SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST	\$ <u>38.128.832</u>

### Torres Report for Year Ended June 30. 1987

Expenses identifiable as Scholastic Aptitude Test, Achievement Test, PSAT/NMSQT Test and Advanced Placement Tests have been allocated thereto. Joint costs have been allocated based on the Test volumes involved.

The following information is also provided in compliance with Section 99153 (f)

Total expense attributable to all activities including expenses not identifiable as attributable to the test	Total
Support services: publications, general offices, etc.	\$10,411,089
Associational and administrative expense	10,774,720
Research and Development	<u>3.093.654</u> \$24.279.463

### THE COLLEGE BOARD

Report to the California Postsecondary Education

Commission Pursuant to California Education Code (Senate Bill 1758 - Torres)

State of California

The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (c) (d).

This data is based on all national and international test administrations of the Achievement Tests during the 1986-87 testing year.

	Achievement Tests
The total number of times the test was taken during the testing year	315,523
The number of individuals who took the test	
Once Twice More than twice	284,430 14,955 390
The number of individuals who registered for but did not take the test	46,075

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### Torres Report For Year Ended June 30. 1987

### The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (e)

Fees received from test takers in the College Board's ACHIEVEMENT TESTS	Achievement Tests
Test Fees Transcripts, Score Reports, etc.	\$ 6,162,000 1,991,464 \$ 8,153,464

### The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (f)

Expenses directly Attributable to the ACHIEVEMENT TESTS	Achievement Tests
Test development, analysis and validation	\$ 1,946,679
Cost of Test Administration	3,420,197
Direct support of test administration: publications, transcript services, etc.	1,704,426
Summary reporting services	715,079
Program direction	92.797 \$ <u>7.879.178</u>
Expenses indirectly attributable to the ACHIEVEMENT TESTS	Achievement Tests
Support services: publications regional offices, etc.	\$ 305,200
Associational and Administrative expense	768,500
Research and Development	\$\frac{300.620}{1.374.320}
Total expense directly and indirectly attributable to ACHIEVEMENT TESTS	\$ <u>9.253.498</u>

## Torres Report for Year Ended June 30. 1987

Expenses identifiable as Scholastic Aptitude Test, Achievement Test, PSAT/NMSQT Test and Advanced Placement Tests have been allocated thereto. Joint costs have been allocated based on the Test volumes involved.

The following information is also provided in compliance with Section 99153 (f)

-	Total
Total expense attributable to all activities including expenses not identifiable as attributable to the test	
Support services: publications, general offices, etc.	\$10,411,089
Associational and administrative expense	10,774,720
Research and Development	3.093.654 \$ <u>24.279.463</u>

# American College Test



November 12, 1987

Horace F. Crandell
Postsecondary Education Administrator
California Postsecondary Education Commission
1020 12th Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, California 95814

#### Dear Mr. Crandell:

In compliance with Senate Bill 1758 of the Education Code related to standardized testing, The American College Testing Program, Inc. (ACT) hereby files the prescribed information as required by law for the testing year September 1, 1986 through August 31, 1987:

(1)	Total tests taken during the testing year	1,193,722
	Individuals taking the test once Individuals taking the test twice Individuals taking the test more than twice	620,645 236,795 31,424
	Individuals who registered but did not take the test	115,230
	Total amount of fees received from test subjects	\$15,860,027
	Direct expense for testing program:	
	Test Adm., Scoring and Reporting Research and Development	\$ 9,733,892 505,450
	Secondary & Postsecondary Institutions Support Services	2,118,751
	Program Administration Total Direct Expense	759,210 \$13,117,303
	Indirect Expenses	\$ 1,569,261

- (2) ACT does not offer an admissions data assembly service.
- (3) Copies of each general publication prepared for routine distribution to test subjects and test score recipients are enclosed.
- (4) Research data pertaining to test scores for California and the nation are enclosed. Research reports that have not been updated since our last filing have not been repeated with this filing.

Horace Crandell November 12, 1987 Page Two

(5) Copies of each general publication prepared for routine distribution to ACT participating colleges and universities are also enclosed.

This completes our filing for the 1986-87 testing year. Please let me know if additional materials are required under the law. Questions concerning this information should be referred to Mr. Ted Bartell in our Sacramento Office, telephone (916) 921-2323.

Sincerely,

Joseph B. Pugh, Ji

Vice President

Business and Finance Division

JBP: js

Enclosures

cc: Ted Bartell, AVP, Western Region

### EXHIBITS

Exhibits A-1 Three copies of each version of the ACT Assessment disclosed Through A-4: during the 1986-87 testing year, along with the corresponding answers, the methods used to convert raw scores into test scores, and an explanation of the method used. (Forms 28A, 25C, 28C, and 26D) Registering for the ACT Assessment (combined East/West Regions) Exhibit B: Contains: a. The dates of national administration of the ACT Assessment (page 1) b. Registration information (page 1) c. Score reporting information (page 1 & 2) d. The ACT Interest Inventory (page 5) e. The Student Profile Section (pages 6-10) Preparing for the ACT Assessment Exhibit C: Using Your ACT Assessment Results Exhibit D: **ACT Assessment Student Information** Exhibit E: Using the ACT Assessment on Campus Exhibit F: Counselor's Handbook Exhibit G: The ACT Assessment Test Preparation Reference Manual Exhibit H: for Teachers and Counselors Reporting Services for Colleges and Universities Exhibit I: Research and Information Services Exhibit J: Helping Student Grow Exhibit K: **Education Opportunity Service** Exhibit L: Request for ACT Assessment Special Testing Exhibit M: High School Profile Report Composite for California Exhibit N & O: High School Profile National Composite Trend Tables for ACT-Tested Students in California (contains Exhibit P: racial/ethnic, sex, etc., breakdown) ACT Class Profile Report - National Norms Exhibit Q: College Student Profiles - Norms for ACT Assessment Exhibit R:

Research Services Summary Tables (1983-84, 1984-85, 1985-86)

Exhibit S:

# Advanced Placement Examinations

Western Regional Office

September 22, 1987

Dr. Horace Crandell
Postsecondary Administrator
California Postsecondary Education Commission
1020 Twelfth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Dr. Crandell:

The California Education Code, Part 65, Chapter 3, requires the College Board as a sponsor of standardized tests, to file with the Commission specified information for the Advanced Placement Examinations. The enclosed information related to these tests is submitted in compliance with the requirements of Section 99154.

Sincerely,

John Vaccaro

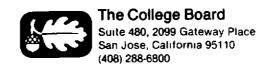
Director

Admissions & Guidance Services

### JV:sah

#### Enclosures:

- (1) A Guide to the Advanced Placement Program, 1987 attached; 1988 due 10/1
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Art
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Biology
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Chemistry
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Computer Science
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, English
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, French
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, German
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Government and Politics
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, History
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Latin
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Mathematics
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Music
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Physics
- (1) Advanced Placement Course Description, Spanish
- (1) Advanced Placement Program: Bulletin For Students Cal. Supplement (available 10/1/87)
- (1) Advanced Placement Program: Bulletin for Students Cal. Supplement, May 88
- (1) California Report of Schools Sending Candidates to Advanced Placement Examinations: May 1987



Western Regional Office

November 6, 1987

Dr. Horace Crandell
Postsecondary Administrator
California Postsecondary Education Commission
1020 Twelfth Street
Sacramento. CA 95814

Dear Dr. Crandell:

Education code Section 99151 requires the College Board, as a test sponsor, to file with the Commission certain information specified in Section 99153. The enclosed information is for the Advanced Placement Examinations.

Sincerely,

John Vaccaro Director

Admissions and Guidance Services

JV:sah

Enclosures:

(1) Section 99153 (c) (d) Test Taking Pattern Information

(1) Section 99153 (e) (b) Financial Information

(1) Bulletin for Students, Advanced Placement Program

(1) A Guide to the Advanced Placement Program

- (1) 1987 Coordinator's Manual, AP Exams. May 9-13, 16-20, 1988
- (1) School Administrator's Guide to the Advanced Placement Program
- (1) 1987 AP National and California Summary Reports
- (1) 1986-87 Test Dates, Advanced Placement Examination
- (1) AP Yearbook, 1987

### THE COLLEGE BOARD

Report to the California Postsecondary Education
Commission Pursuant to California Education Code (Senate Bill 1758 - Torres)
State of California

The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (c) (d).

This data is based on all national and international test administrations of the Advanced Placement Program during the 1986-87 testing year.

	Advanced Placement Examination
The total number of times the examination was taken during the testing year	369,207
The number of individuals who took the examination Once Twice More than twice	369,207 -0- -0-
The number of individuals who registered for but did not take the examination	N/A**

<sup>\*\*</sup>Advanced Placement students register at time of the examination administration.

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### Torres Report For Year Ended June 30. 1987

The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (e)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM

Fees received from examination takers in the College Board's ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM (APP)

**Examination Fees** 

\$17,856,836

The following information is provided in compliance with Section 99153 (f)

Expenses directly attributable to the ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM	ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM
Examination development, analysis and validation	\$ 2,172,242
Cost of Examination Administration	6,689,359
Direct support of examination administration publications, transcript services, essay readings, etc.	ion: 1,687,941
Program Direction	<u>782.650</u> \$ <u>11.332.192</u>

Expenses indirectly attributable to the ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM	ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM
Support services: publications regional offices, etc.	\$ 2,209,000
Associational and Administrative expense	1,018,000
Research and Development	1.161.075 \$ 4.388.075

Total expense directly and indirectly attributable to ADVANCE PLACEMENT PROGRAM \$15.720.267

Torres Report for Year Ended June 30. 1987

Expenses identifiable as Scholastic Aptitude Test, Achievement Test, PSAT/NMSQT Test and Advanced Placement Tests have been allocated thereto. Joint costs have been allocated based on the Test volumes involved.

The following information is also provided in compliance with Section 99153 (f)

	Total
Total expense attributable to all activities including expenses not identifiable as attributable to the test	
Support services: publications, general offices, etc.	\$10,411,089
Associational and administrative expense	10,774,720
Research and Development	<u>3.093.654</u> \$ <u>24.279.463</u>
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Test of English as a Foreign Language



### TEST OF ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE

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November 3, 1987

California Postsecondary Education 1020 Twelfth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Mr. Horace F. Crandell

Postsecondary Education Administration

Dear Mr. Crandell:

In accordance with the revised Education Code, Senate Bill No. 1758, Chapter 1505, Part 65, Chapter 3, Section 99152-99159, the enclosed data and publications are submitted on behalf of the TOEFL Program. The data are for the test year July 1, 1986 - June 30, 1987.

The enclosures include the following items: Program report for the Commission, (2) 3 copies of each of the test forms used at the July 11, 1986, August 2, 1986, November 15, 1986, December 12, 1986 and May 9, 1987 TOEFL Test Administration, together with a copy of the correct answer responses, and the score conversion tables for each test form, (3) TOEFL Bulletin of Information and Application Form - International/Special Center Testing Program, (5) Institutional Testing Program Brochure, (6) TOEFL Test and Score Manual, 1985 Edition, (7) TOEFL Request Form, (8) Appendices A and B - the location of 1986-87 TOEFL test centers in California, and (9) Test Security Brochures.

Sincerely.

Jasper D. Memory

Chairperson

TOEFL Policy Council

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Enclosures

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TEST OF ENGLISH AS A FOREIGN LANGUAGE July 1, 1986 - June 30, 1987

Report prepared for the California Postsecondary Education Commission

- $99153.\,$  On or before November 15 of each year, the test sponsor shall submit to the Commission all of the following data and information:
- (a) Three versions of the test which were used in the prior testing year, along with the corresponding acceptable answers, and the methods used to convert raw scores into the test scores reported to test subjects and test score recipients, together with an explanation of that method.
- 99153. (a) Enclosed are three copies of each of the test forms used at the (1) August 2, 1986, (2) November 15, 1986, and (3) May 9, 1987 International TOEFL test administrations and three copies of each of the test forms used at the (1) July 11, 1986 and (2) December 12, 1986 Special Center TOEFL test administrations. Also included are cassette recordings of the stimulus material for the listening comprehension section, the correct answers for each test form and the score conversion tables.

These test forms are equivalent to those used at each TOEFL administration, but they are no longer in use as secure tests.

- 99153. (b) The dates of major or national administration of each test administered by the test agency during the testing year.
- (c) The total number of test subjects who have taken the test once, who have taken it twice, and who have taken it more than twice during the testing year.
- (d) The total number of test subjects who registered for, but did not take, the test.
- (e) The total amounts of fees received from test subjects by the test agency for test for that testing year.
  - (f) The expenses to the test sponsor of the test, as follows:
    - (1) Those expenses which are directly attributed to the test.
    - (2) Those expenses which are indirectly attributed to the test.
- (g) A copy of all documents, pamphlets, and literature provided to the test subject and the test score recipient.
- (h) Where applicable, the national average test scores, state average test scores, the standard error of measurement, and any other existing information relevant to a comparison of the test scores of the state's test subjects with test scores of previous test subjects of the past five years.
  - (i) For those tests used to predict academic performance ....
- (j) Using available data, the racial, ethnic, and sex breakdown of all test subjects taking each test during the testing year.
- (k) If a separate fee is charged test subjects for admissions data assembly service ....
- (1) The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require any test agency to submit to the Commission any reports or documents containing information relating to any reports or documents filed with the Commission pursuant to this section.
- 99153. (b) The dates of major or national administrations of TOEFL are as follows:

The International Testing Program which always tests on a Saturday provides testing six times a year at approximately 1,100 test centers established by ETS throughout the world. Test dates in 1986-87 were: August 2, 1986; October 25, 1986; November 15, 1986; January 10, 1987; March 14, 1987; and May 9, 1987.

The Special Center Testing Program schedules test administrations on Fridays at usually the same test centers as the International program. The program was integrated with the International TOEFL testing program in 1979 to provide monthly testing with alternate Friday and Saturday test dates. Testing was conducted throughout the world in 1986-87 for this program on July 11, 1986, September 19, 1986, December 12, 1986, February 13, 1987, April 10, 1987, and June 5, 1987.

(c) ETS records prepared by the Answer Sheet Scanning Department indicate the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) was taken 449,899 times during 1986-87. Of this total 64,542 were answer sheets sent to ETS for scoring under its Institutional Testing programs. It is possible additional test subjects took the TOEFL under this service and the answer sheets were scored by the testing institution. Such test subjects are not recorded at ETS.

Information on the number of times an individual has taken TOEFL during the testing year is collected on the registration form. The information is self-reported and cannot be verified by ETS. Those individuals who applied to take TOEFL during 1986-87 and who provided this information are distributed as follows:

Once during 1986-87	219,115
Twice	83,759
More than twice	84,109

- (d) In 1986-87, 67,335 registered for but did not take the TOEFL under the International and Special Center testing programs. Registration records for the Institutional TOEFL Testing Program are kept by the institutions administering the test and are not available to ETS.
- (e) The total amount of fees received from test takers during 1986-87 was \$15,829,915. No record is available of the amount received from California test takers only. The amount received represents four categories of income as follows:
  - a. Registration fees paid by individual test subjects.
  - b. Additional transcripts requested by individual test subjects.
- c. Fees paid by institutions for Institutional Administration forms. under the Institutional Testing Programs, test forms are distributed directly to the institutions. Individual test subjects for these programs are not registered directly by ETS.
  - d. Program publications and services ordered by examinees.

(f) (1) Expenses directly attributed to the test (July 1, 1986 -June 30, 1987)

Program Direction	\$1,876,265
Test Administration and Related Services-International Special Center, US/Canada and Overseas Institutional	Testing
Programs	8,504,981
Service-Additional Requests for Transcripts	370,104
Test Development/Production	2,366,195
Publications	2,232,937
Research	248,352 \$15,598,834
(2) Expenses indirectly attributed to the test (July 30, 1987).	1, 1986 -

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Policy Council and related activities	150,751
General Research Planning & Coordination	100,098
Development Studies	46,263 \$297,112

(g) Each TOEFL applicant registering for the International or Special Center program receives a copy of the TOEFL Bulletin of Information. Applicants for the Institutional Testing Program receive a copy of Examinee Handbook and Admission Form.

Test score recipients include the examinees and universities, colleges or other agencies. The examinees receive copies of their score and a TOEFL Request Form for additional Official Score Reports. The colleges, universities and other agencies receive copies of examinees' score reports as designated by the examinee and each test score user receives a copy of the TOEFL Test and Score Manual. Copies of above publications are enclosed.

- (h) National average and state average test scores are not available for the TOEFL test, however, information on the standard error of measurement and other statistical characteristics of the test may be found on pages 25-31 in the TOEFL Test and Score Manual.
  - (i) Not applicable. TOEFL is not used to predict academic performance.
- (j) Statistical data by ethnic background is not available. Tables 7 and 8 on page 22 of the Test and Score Manual provides means and standard deviations of test scores by sex. Tables 9 and 10, pages 23 and 24 provide score data by national and linguistic background.
  - (k) TOEFL does not offer admissions data assembly service.
  - None of the statistical data is individually identifiable.

99154. (a) Within 90 days of the close of each testing year, the test sponsor shall file with the Commission standard technical data sufficient to describe the psychometric quality of the test.

For purposes of compliance with this section, it is sufficient to deposit with the Commission information conforming to the guidelines specified in the Standards for Educational and Psychological Tests of the American Psychological Association, which were in effect 180 days prior to the testing year, and which are appropriate to the particular test and its uses.

- (b) Data, reports or other documents submitted pursuant to this chapter shall be accompanied by a description of the test, including, but not limited to, the title, purpose or purposes of the test, and when and where the test was administered in the state.
- (c) Data, reports or other documents submitted pursuant to this chapter shall not contain information in a form identifiable with individuals or particular postsecondary educational institutions.
- 99154. (a) Technical data describing the psychometric quality of the TOEFL tests are included in the enclosed TOEFL Test and Score Manual, pp. 20-31.
- (b) A description of the test appears in the TOEFL Test and Score Manual, pp. 7-8. A description of the test and its purpose is also provided each applicant in the 1986-87 Bulletin of Information on page 3, and pages 13 through 16; for the Institutional Testing Program this information is in the Handbook for Examinees on page 24-31.

Lists of the location and dates of all TOEFL test administrations within within the state of California during test year 1986-87 are attached. The lists for the International and Special Center test programs are marked "Appendix A." The test sites and test dates for the Institutional testing program are marked "Appendix B."

(c) None of this data is individually identifiable -- either by examinee or by institution, except for the test center locations.

- 99156. A test agency shall prepare a clear, easily understandable written description of each standardized test it administers. A copy of the appropriate description shall be provided to the test subject or the test score recipient together with the test registration forms and related documents, prior to the administration of the test or coinciding with the initial reporting of a test score. The description shall include all of the following information:
- (a) The purposes for which the test is constructed and intended to be used.
- (b) For those tests used to predict performance, the subject matter included on these tests and the knowledge and skills which the test purports to measure.
- (c) Statements designed to provide information for interpreting the test scores, including the explanations of the test, the standard error of measurement, and the correlation between test score and performance.
- (d) Statements concerning the effects and uses of test scores, including the following:
- (1) If the test score is used by itself or with other information to predict future grade point average, a summary of existing data on the extent to which the use of this test score will improve the accuracy of predicting future grade point average, over and above all other information used.
- (2) a summary of existing data on the extent to which the improvement in test scores results from test preparation courses.
- (e) A description of the form in which test scores will be reported, and whether the raw test scores will be altered in any way before being reported to the test subject.
- (f) A complete description of any promises or covenants which the test agency makes to the test subject with regard to any of the following matters:
  - (1) The accuracy of scoring.
- (2) The time period within which the test subject's score will be reported to the test subject and to the test score recipients.
- (3) The privacy of information relating to the test subject, including his or her test scores.
- (g) The property interest in the test score held by the test subject, if any.

- (h) The period of time the test agency will retain the test score, and the test agency's policies regarding the storage, disposal, and future use of test scores.
- (i) A description of all special services which will be provided at the location of the test administration to accommodate handicapped or disabled test subjects.
- (j) The policies and procedures of the test agency when there is a delay in reporting the test scores pursuant to Section 91160.
  - (k) A representative set of sample test items.
- (1) The fees to be charged by the test sponsor for various services made available to the test subject.
- (m) Each test agency shall comply with the requirements of this section beginning with the start of its testing year which begins after January 1, 1985.
- 99156. (a) For International or Special Center TOEFL test takers the required information appears on page 3 of the 1986-87 Bulletin of Information under the heading "General Information," and on page 3 of the Institutional test program's Examinee Handbook and Administration Form.

For universities, colleges, and other institutions designated as TOEFL score recipients the required information appears on pp. 7-8 of the TOEFL Test and Score Manual.

- (b) Not applicable. TOEFL does not predict performance.
- (c) Required information appears on page 11 of the TOEFL Test and Score Manual under the heading "TOEFL Scores," and on pp. 20-23 of the Handbook for Examinees under the heading "Test Results."
- (d) (1) Required information appears on pp. 14-18 of the <u>TOEFL Test</u> and Score Manual under heading "Using TOEFL Scores," however, TOEFL is not used to predict grade point average.
- (2) Required information appears on page 16 in the <u>Bulletin of Information</u>, under the heading "Preparing for and Taking the Test" for those applicants registering for the International/Special Center Testing Program and on page 7 of the Examinee Handbook for the Institutional testing program test takers.
- (e) Required information on scoring procedures appears on page 14-15 in the International Testing Program Bulletin of Information and on pp. 17-19 of the Institutional Examinee Handbook.

- (f) (1) Information on Quality Controls appears on page 18 of the Handbook for Examinees and on page 6 of the Institutional test program's Examinee Handbook.
- (2) Required information regarding the time period for reporting scores is found on pp. 11-12 of the Bulletin of Information and Application Form, on page 20 of Handbook for Examinees, on page 16 of the Institutional program's Examinee Handbook and under the section of the Institutional Testing Program brochure titled "Summary of Institutional Testing Program Policies."
- (3) Required information appears on page 10 of the <u>TOEFL Test</u> and Score Manual under the heading "Confidentiality of Information," in the Handbook for Examinees under the heading "Test Results," and in the Institutional Testing Program brochure under the heading "ETS Policy about Release of Individual Score Information."
- (g) Required information appears in the Bulletin of Information on page 15, under the heading "Score Reporting Services," and in the Examinee Handbook on page 16.
- (h) Required information appears in the Bulletin of Information on page 15 under heading "Test Score Data."
- (i) Required information appears in the Bulletin of Information on page 14.
  - (j) Required information filed under Paragraph 91160.
- (k) Representative sample items appear in the Bulletin of Information, pp. 18-20, under the heading "Practice Questions," and in the Examinee Handbook, pp. 10-16.

In addition, during 1986-87 TOEFL examinees and others had access to other test forms and related materials via the following program services:

- a. TOEFL Sample Test (equal to one-half the length of a TOEFL test form). Available to anyone at \$3 per copy.
- b. Test materials from selected administrations. These include a copy of the test book and the cassette, the correct answers to the questions and a copy of the examinee's answer sheet with the raw scores marked. (Available to TOEFL examinees only who took the July, August, November and December 1986 and May 1987 administrations.)
- c. Understanding TOEFL. A complete test form with cassette for Section 1, an answer sheet, and a workbook providing an explanation for each question and set of answers. Available to applicants for \$11 with the test fee or \$13 on a separate order.
- d. Listening to TOEFL. Listening to TOEFL focuses on Section 1, the listening comprehension section of the test. It contains a workbook and three cassette recordings. The kit also contains two complete TOEFL tests, answer sheets and lists of the correct answers for all of the questions. Available to applicants for \$13 with the test fee.

- 99157. This section does not apply to the Test of English as a Foreign Language.
- 99158. If the test agency will be delayed in reporting a test subject's score for a time period amounting to 10 calendar days beyond the period specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) of Section 99156, the test agency shall notify the test subject immediately. The notice shall indicate the reasons for delay, including, but not limited to, incorrect, incomplete, or inconsistent personal identifying information furnished by a test subject.
- 99158. The Bulletin of Information, page 14, states that "test results will be sent ... one month after you take the test. Under no circumstances can they be sent any earlier. (Test results will be sent out two or three weeks later for examinees whose answer sheets arrive late at the TOEFL office or whose answer sheets are not completed properly.)

99159. The test agency shall establish a formal panel composed of test agency officials to review and decide cases of suspected test score....

Test takers, their parents or guardians and others who advise them are entitled to know why certain scores have been questioned and the procedures used by Educational Testing Service to verify or invalidate such scores.

ETS Test Security office provides for a formal panel composed of test agency officials and senior measurement staff who review and decide cases of suspected test score inauthenticity or irregularities. Brochures explaining the ETS test security procedures are sent to examinees whose scores are questioned (Sample brochure titled "Procedures for Questioned Scores" is included with this report).

- 99160. (a) Whenever a test agency is presented with information which renders the test subject's test score suspect, whether that information is in the form of allegations callusion or cheating, or irregular test administration, or irregular statistical data, or any other form. The test agency shall submit the information to the review panel. The panel shall be responsible for reviewing the information and determining if an investigation is warranted.
  - (a) Information for examinees about the policy of cancelling TOEFL test scores is provided on pages 10, 11, and 15 of the 1986-87 Bulletin of Information. If the test score is referred to the ETS Test Security office for validation and review by the formal panel, a letter and Test Security office brochure is sent to the examinee via registered mail. Every opportunity is provided to the examinee to prepare a rebuttal.
- (b) The test subject shall have 30 days following receipt of the notice by registered mail to respond to the notice of inauthenticity.
  - (b) ETS allows a minimum of 30 days for a test subject to respond following receipt of a registered mail notice of inauthenticity.
- (c) If the test subject responds to the notice of inauthenticity or irregularity of test scores sent by the test agency within the time period specified by subdivision (b), the test agency shall review the contents of the response and comply . . . . .
  - (c) The procedures for each of these requirements are described on p. 11 of the Bulletin of Information and in the ETS pamphlet, Procedures for Questioned Scores.
- (d) The test agency shall not release confidential information to any authorized test score recipients regarding a test subject under pending investigation, unless authorized to do so by the test subject.
  - (d) Reviews of questionable scores by ETS are confidential; ETS does not release information about a questioned score to anyone unless authorized to do so by the test subject.
- (e) The test agency shall immediately release the test score to the test subject and the test score recipients where no substantial evidence exists to render the inauthenticity or irregularity of the test score.
  - (e) TOEFL scores held during the investigation are released immediately upon a determination that no substantial evidence exists to render the test score inauthentic or irregular.

99161. (a) No test agency shall release or disclose any test score identifiable with any individual test suject, in any form whatsoever, to any test score recipient, unless the agency is specifically authorized by the test subject to release that test score to the recipient.

TOEFL Test and Score Manual describes to test score users the policy regarding Confidentiality of Information. (see page 10). Page 15 of the Bulletin of Information describes for the TOEFL examinees the TOEFL policy regarding examinee score data.

# Graduate Record Examinations

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Dear Mr. Crandall:

Forwarded herewith pursuant to the revised California Education Code, Senate Bill No. 1758, Chapter 1505, Part 65 Chapter 3, Sections 99152-9959 is information concerning administrations of the Graduate Record Examinations during the 1986-87 testing year which ended on September 30, 1987.

Enclosed are the following 1986-87 publications and reports referred to in this report:

- ° GRE Information Bulletin 1986-87
- Guide to the Use of the Graduate Record Examinations Program 1986-87
- ° Interpreting Your GRE General Test Scores 1986-87
- ° GRE General Test, Edition GR87-4 (3 copies)
- ° GRE General Test, Edition GR87-5 (3 copies)
- ° GRE General Test, Edition GR87-6 (3 copies)
- ° GRE Technical Manual
- ° General Test, Test Analysis Forms 3IGR1, 3IGR2, 3GGR1
- ° GRE/MGSLS Publications List and Order Form
- ° Order Form for the 1986-87 Information Bulletin
- ° Effects of Coaching on GRE Aptitude Test Scores, GREB Report 81-3R
- Effects of Test Preparation on the Validity of GRE Analytical Scores, GREB Report 82-6aP
- Test Preparation for the GRE Analytical Ability Measure: Differential Effects for Subgroups of GRE Test Takers. GREB Report 82-6bP

- Descriptive booklet for all Subject Tests
- Summary of the Graduate Record Examinations Validity Study Service, June 1983
- ° Procedures for Questioned Scores
- Summary of Data Collected from Graduate Record Examinations Test Takers During 1985-86 (Data Summary Report #11 in press. Copies of tables only enclosed. Will send report when available.)
- Report of Students who have repeated the General Test and Subject Tests once, twice, or more than twice

The Graduate Record Examinations Board has delegated to Educational Testing Service, Princeton, NJ 08541, the specific duty of publication and distribution of copies of these materials.

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Kenneth L. Hoving Chairman, GRE Board

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Dear Mr. Crandall:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 99152 of California Senate Bill 1758 (Torres), I am reporting the dates of the 1988-89 testing year for the Graduate Record Examinations Program. The GRE testing year will begin on October 1, 1988 and will end on September 30, 1989.

On November 13, 1987, I sent to you the information required by California law concerning administration of the GRE during the 1986-87 testing year which ended on September 30, 1987. At that time I was unable to send you the published Summary of Data Collected from Graduate Record Examinations Test Takers During 1985-86 (Date Summary Report #11). I was only able to send copies of the tables which make up the Data Summary Report. Enclosed you will find the finished report.

The Graduate Record Examinations Board has delegated to Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey 08541, the specific duty of publication and distribution of its printed material.

Sincerely,

Kenneth L. Hoving Chairman, GRE Board

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cc: Ms. Charlotte V. Kuh, Educational Testing Service

Graduate Record Examinations Program
October 1, 1986 - September 30, 1987

Report prepared for the California Postsecondary Education Commission

November 1987

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Report prepared for
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in compliance with
Part 65 of the Education Code, Chapter 3, Section 99153

- 99153. On or before November 15 of each year, the test sponsor shall submit to the Commission all of the following data and information:
- (a) Three copies of each version of the test which was disclosed in the prior testing year, along with the corresponding acceptable answers, and the methods used to convert raw scores into the test scores reported to test subjects and test score recipients, together with an explanation of that method.
  - (a) Attached to this report are three versions of the GRE General Test which were used in the most recent testing year, an answer key for each and explanation of the scoring of these tests. Also attached are copies of the test analysis reports for these test forms.
- 99153. (b) The dates of major or national administration of each test administered by the test agency during the testing year.
  - (b) Dates of the major administrations for the Graduate Record Examinations are included in the calendar on the back cover of the enclosed GRE 1986-87 Information Bulletin and the Guide to the Use of the Graduate Record Examinations Program 1986-87.
- 99153. (c) The total number of test subjects who have taken the test once, who have taken it twice, and who have taken it more than twice during the testing year.
  - (c) The number of examinees who have taken the GRE tests once, twice, or more than twice is attached as a separate report.

99153. (d) The total number of test subjects who registered for, but did not take, the test.

(d) The total number of registrants for major GRE administrations of all General and Subject Tests in 1986-87 was 354,369. Of these registrants, 53,515 did not take the tests.

In California, there were 33,524 registrants for all GRE General and Subject Tests. Of these, 5,995 did not take the tests.

- 99153. (e) The total amounts of fees received from test subjects by the test agency for the test for that testing year.
  - (e) Total fees received from test subjects (test takers) for the Graduate Record Examinations for 1986-87 equalled \$18,393,435. We record is available of the amount received from California test takers only; nor are records available for receipts by test title. The amount received represents four categories of income, as follows:
    - Registration fees paid by individual test subjects.
    - 2. Additional transcripts requested by individual test subjects.
    - 3. Fees paid by institutions for institutional services.
    - 4. Program publications and services ordered by examinees.
- 99153. (f) The expenses to the test sponsor of the test, as follows: (1) the expenses which are directly attributable to the test and (2) those expenses which are indirectly attributable to the test.
  - (f) (1.) Expenses directly attributable to the test and
    - (2.) Expenses indirectly attributable to the test required by this section are as follows:

#### Income

Fees from Test Takers for GRE Tests Fees for Priced Publications Fees for Institutional Services Total		\$16,713,335 1,103,679 576,421 \$18,393,435	
	General	Subject	
Expenses Directly Attributable	\$12,849,736	\$5,209 <b>,</b> 596	
Test Administration	<b>\$7,740,98</b> 1	\$2,580,327	
Program Direction	1,603,928	<b>534,64</b> 3	
Test Development	1,174,440	1,317,831	
Research	7 <b>3</b> 0,555	243,518	
Publications	1,599,832	533,277	
Expenses Indirectly Attributable	\$126,742	<b>\$42,24</b> 7	
Special Services	11,343	3,781	
GRE Board and Committees	115,399	38,466	
Expenses Not Attributable		\$542,530	
Graduate Program Self-Assessment		156,020	
CGS/GRE Survey		71,851	
Graduate Programs & Admissions Manual		62,100	
Minority Graduate Student Locator Service		124,956	
GRE/CGS Forums		79,665	
Technical Manual		2,520	
Major Field Achievement Tests		45,418	

- 99153. (g) A copy of all documents, pamphlets, and literature provided to the test subject and the test score recipient.
  - (g) (1.) Attached to this report are copies of each document, pamphlet, and literature provided to each test taker. These are:

GRE Information Bulletin 1986-87

Interpreting Your GRE General Test Scores 1986-87

A sample Report of Scores (found on page 50 of the Guide)

(g) (2.) A copy of each document, pamphlet, and literature provided to each test score recipient are attached to this report. These are:

> Guide to the Use of the Graduate Record Examinations Program - 1986-87

GRE 1986-87 Information Bulletin

GRE/MGSLS Publications List and Order Form - 1986-87

Order Form for the 1986-87 Information Bulletin Gradate Record Examinations and Minority Graduate Student Locater Service

Samples of score reporting forms located on pages 50-53 of the  $\underline{\text{Guide}}$ 

- 99153. (h) Where applicable, the national average test scores, state average test scores, the standard error of measurement, and any other existing information relevant to a comparison of the test scores of the state's test subjects with test scores of previous test subjects of the past five years.
  - (h) GRE average scores are for the test-taking population reported on page 17 of the Guide to the Use of the Graduate Record Examinations Program 1986-87. The standard error of measurement for individual scores and score differences are reported on page 33. The results of all administrations of all forms or editions of a given test are reported on the same scale. National and state average test scores are neither gathered nor reported.
- 99153. (i) For those tests used to predict academic performance, the most recent national or regional aggregation of data concerning the predictive validity of all of the following:
  - Academic record or grades alone.
  - (2) Standardized test score alone.
  - (3) Academic record and test score combined.
  - (4) Standardized test scores over and above the predictive validity of academic record alone.
  - (i) (1-4) The 1981-82 Summary Report of the Graduate Record Examinations Validity Study Service is attached.

- 99153. (j) Using available data, the racial, ethnic, and sex breakdown of all test subjects taking each test during the testing year.
  - (j) Racial, ethnic and sex information is self-reported by test takers and is not always provided to the GRE Program.

    Available ethnic data for GRE test takers are reported in the Guide to the Use of the Graduate Record

    Examinations Program 1986-87, Tables 6 and 7, pages 27-28.

    Racial, ethnic and sex information is reported in various tables throughout A Summary of Data Collected from Graduate Record Examinations Test Takers During 1985-86 (Data Summary Report #11) October 1987, table copies attached.
- 99153. (k) If a separate fee is charged test subjects for admissions data assembly service, the test sponsor shall report information concerning the data assembly service in substantially the same form as would be required for a test under this section.

#### (k) Not Applicable.

- 99153. (1) This section shall not be construed to require any test agency to submit to the commission any reports or documents containing information relating to any individual test subject. Any information relating to any individual test subject. Any information relating to any individual test shall be deleted or obliterated from any reports or documents filed with the commission pursuant to this section.
- (1) Information submitted in compliance with this section does not include information identifiable with any individual or institution.

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Part 65 of the Education Code, Chapter 3, Section 99154

99154. (a) Within 90 days of the close of each testing year, the test sponsor shall file with the Commission standard technical data sufficient to describe the psychometric quality of the test.

For purposes of compliance with this section, it is sufficient to deposit with the Commission information conforming to the guidelines specified in the Standards for Educational and Psychological Tests of the American Psychological Association, which were in effect 180 days prior to the testing year, and which are appropriate to the particular test and its uses.

- (a) Technical data describing the psychometric quality of the tests are included in the Guide to the Use of the GRE Program and the GRE Technical Manual.
- 99154. (b) Data, reports or other documents submitted pursuant to this chapter shall be accompanied by a description of the test, including, but not limited to, the title, purpose or purposes of the test, and when and where the test was administered in the state.
  - (b) A description of the purposes of the tests and when and where they are administered in California is included in the GRE Information Bulletin.
- 99154. (c) Data, reports or other documents submitted pursuant to this chapter shall not contain information in a form identifiable with individuals or particular postsecondary educational institutions.
  - (c) Information submitted with this section does not include data identifiable with any individual or institution.

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Report prepared for California Postsecondary Education Commission in compliance with Part 65 of the Education Code, Chapter 3, Section 99156

99156. A test agency shall prepare a clear, easily understandable written description of each standardized test it administers. A copy of the appropriate description shall be provided to the test subject or the test score recipient together with the test registration forms and related documents, prior to the administration of the test or coinciding with the initial reporting of a test score. The description shall include all of the following information:

- (a) The purposes for which the test is constructed and intended to be used.
  - (a) The purposes for which the test are constructed are described on page 5 of the GRE <u>Information</u> Bulletin.
- 99156. (b) For those tests used to predict performance, the subject matter included on these tests and the knowledge and skills which the test purports to measure.
  - (b) The subject matter of and knowledge and skills measured by the GRE General Test and GRE Subject Tests is described on page 5 of the GRE Information Bulletin.
- 99156. (c) Statements designed to provide information for interpreting the test scores, including the explanations of the test, the standard error of measurement, and the correlation between test score and performance.
  - (c) For information to assist in interpreting test scores, see the GRE Information Bulletin, pp.23-29; student score leaflet, Interpreting Your GRE General Test Scores 1986-87; the <u>Guide</u>, pp. 11-13, 32-34; the GRE Subject Test Description Booklets, p; 5, the GRE Technical Manual.

- 99156. (d) Statements concerning the effects and uses of test scores, including the following:
- (1) If the test score is used by itself or with other information to predict future grade point average, a summary of existing data on the extent to which the use of this test score will improve the accuracy of predicting future grade point average, over and above all other information used.
  - (d) (1) The 1981-82 Summary Report of the Graduate Record Examinations Validity Study Service are attached to this report.
- (2) A summary of existing data on the extent to which the improvement in test scores results from test preparation courses.
  - (2) See the attached research reports: (1) GREB Report 81-3R, Effects of Coaching on GRE Aptitude Test Scores; (2) GREB Report 82-6aP, Effects of Test Preparation on the Validity of GRE Analytical Scores; (3) GREB Report 82-6bP, Test Preparation of the GRE Analytical Ability Measure: Differential Effects for Subgroups of Test Takers.
- 99156. (e) A description of the form in which test scores will be reported, and whether the raw test scores will be altered in any way before being reported to the test subject.
  - (e) For the form in which test scores will be reported see the GRE Information Bulletin, p. 23-24.
- 99156. (f) A complete description of any promises or covenants which the test agency makes to the test subject with regard to any of the following matters:
  - (1) The accuracy of scoring.
    - (1) For a description of the accuracy of scoring, see GRE Information Bulletin, p. 22.
  - (2) The time period within which the test subject's score will be reported to the test subject and to the test score recipients.
    - (2) For the time period within which scores will be reported, see GRE Information Bulletin, p. 23.

- (3) The privacy of information relating to the test subject, including his or her test scores.
  - (3) For information about the privacy of information, see GRE Information Bulletin, p. 25.
- 99156. (g) The property interest in the test score held by the test subject, if any.
  - (g) For information about property interest, see GRE Information Bulletin, p. 25.
- 99156. (h) The period of time the test agency will retain the test score, and the test agency's policies regarding the storage, disposal, and future use of test scores.
  - (h) For the retention of scores and use of scores, see GRE Information Bulletin, p. 24-25.
- 99156. (i) A description of all special services which will be provided at the location of the test administration to accommodate handicapped or disabled test subjects.
  - (i) For a description of handicapped services, see GRE Information Bulletin, pp.5,8,11,12.
- 99156. (j) The policies and procedures of the test agency when there is a delay in reporting the test scores pursuant to Section 91160.
  - (j) For the policies concerning delay in scores, see GRE Information Bulletin, p. 23.
- 99156. (k) A representative set of sample test items.
  - (k) For a sample General Test and sample questions, see pages 29-72, GRE Information Bulletin. For samples of the Subject Tests, see the descriptive booklets for each test.

- 99156. (1) The fees to be charged by the test sponsor for various services made available to the test subject.
  - (1) For test fees, see GRE Information Bulletin, pp. 16, 21, and 96.
- 99156. (m) Each test agency shall comply with the requirements of this section beginning with the start of its testing year which begins after January 1, 1985.

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99157. This section does not apply to the Graduate Record Examinations Program.

- 99158. (a) If the test agency will be delayed in reporting a test subject's score for a time period amounting of 10 calendar days beyond the period specified in paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) of Section 99156, the test agency shall notify the test subject immediately. The notice shall indicate the reasons for delay, including, but not limited to, incorrect, incomplete, or inconsistent personal identifying information furnished by a test subject.
  - (a) The procedure for notifying test subjects and score users of any delay in submitting scores is described on page 25 of the 1986-87 GRE Information Bulletin.

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- 99159. (a) through (d) Whenever a test agency is presented with information which renders the test subject's score suspect. . . .
  - (a) through (d) Test takers, their parents, and others who advise them are entitled to know why certain scores have been questioned and the procedures used by Educational Testing Service (ETS) to verify or invalidate such scores. The pamphlet intended to provide information to test takers about why their scores have been questioned, Procedures for Questioned Scores, is attached.

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- 99160 (a) Whenever the test agency determines that substantial evidence exists to support cancellation or invalidation of a test score, the test agency shall provide the test subject with a choice of the following options:
- (1) A cancellation of the test scores in question, with full refund of all test fees.
- (2) Opportunity to take the test again privately and without charge.
  - (3) Opportunity to seek judicial review of the matter.
    - (a) Information for test takers concerning the procedures used in cancelling questioned scores is found on page 26 of the GRE Information Bulletin and in the pamphlet, Procedures for Questioned Scores.
- (b) The test subject shall have 30 days following receipt of the notice by registered mail to respond to the notice of inauthenticity.
  - (b) ETS provides up to six weeks for a subject to respond to a notice of score inauthenticity.

- 99160. (c) If the test subject responds to the notice of inauthenticity or irregularity of test scores sent by the test agency within the time period specified by subdivision (b), the test agency shall review the contents of the response and comply . . . . .
  - (1) through (3) The procedures for each of these requirements are described on p. 24 of the GRE Information Bulletin and in the ETS pamphlet, Procedures for Questioned Scores.

- 99160. (d) The test agency shall not release confidential information to any authorized test score recipients regarding a test subject under pending investigation, unless authorized to do so by the test subject.
  - (d) Reviews of questionable scores by ETS are confidential; ETS does not release information about a questioned score to anyone unless authorized to do so by the test subject.

- 99160 (e) The test agency shall immediately release the test score to the test subject and the test score recipients where no substantial evidence exists to render the inauthenticity or irregularity of the test score.
  - (e) GRE scores held during investigation are released immediately upon a determination that no substantial evidence exists to render the test score inauthentic or irregular.

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Report prepared for California Postsecondary Education Commission in compliance with Part 65 of the Education Code, Chapter 3, Section 99161

99161. (a) No test agency shall release or disclose any test score identifiable with any individual test subject, in any form whatsoever, to any test score recipient, unless the agency is specifically authorized by the test subject to release that test score to the recipient. A test agency may, however, release all scores received by a test subject on a test to anyone designated by the test subject to receive the test score.

(a) The confidentiality of GRE scores is described for GRE score users on page 9 of the Guide to the Use of the GRE Program. Pages 27-28 of the GRE Information Bulletin provide test takers with information about GRE scores.

## Graduate Management Admission Test



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#### Dear Dr. Crandell:

On behalf of the Graduate Management Admission Council, the sponsor of the Graduate Management Admission Test, I am pleased to submit the information required under Chapter 1505 of the laws of the state of California; Chapter 3, Part 65 of the Education Code, Sections 99150-99164. Some of the information requested that is specific to California test takers (Section 99153, h and j) is not available at this time; it will be forwarded to you as soon as it does become available.

Respectfully.

William Broesamle

President

### Enclosures:

- 1) October 1986, January 1987, March 1987 and June 1987 GMATs and Answer Keys (3 copies each)
- 2) GMAT TECHNICAL REPORT
- 3) GMAT 1986-87 BULLETIN OF INFORMATION
- 4) GMAT CANDIDATE SCORE INTERPRETATION GUIDE
- 5) GUIDE TO THE USE OF GMAT SCORES
- 6) PROCEDURES FOR QUESTIONED SCORES

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### Graduate Management Admission Council

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(a)(b) Enclosed are three (3) copies each of the actual Graduate

Management Admission Tests administered on the regular national
administration dates:

October 18, 1986 January 24, 1987 March 21, 1987 June 20, 1987

Also included are scoring keys and explanatory materials.

- (c) During 1986-87, 220,228 individuals took the GMAT. The numbers of individuals who took it once, twice and more than twice during the year are not available at this time.
- (d) During 1986-87, 42,339 individuals registered for but did not take the GMAT.

Section 99153 - Financial information. Definitions are provided on the following page.

(e) Total amount of fees received from test takers:

l. GMAT Testing Program	\$8,911,600
2. Guides to GMAT/MBA	1,147,100
3. MBA Admission Forums	40,600
Total income from test takers	\$10,099,300

(f)(l) Expenses directly attributable to the testing program:

4.	GMAT Test Administration	\$6,656,200
5.	GMAT Test Development	887,200
6.	CMAT Validity Studies and Test Research	667,900
Tot	al expenses directly attributable to the	
tes	ting program	\$8,211,300

(f)(2) Expenses indirectly attributable to the testing program:

7. Institutional Programs and Council	
Administration	\$1,614,500
8. Guides to GMAT/MBA	1,002,700
9. MBA Admission Forums	237,400
10. Other Publications and Programs for	
Prospective MBA Candidates	593,700
Total expenses indirectly attributable to	
the testing program	\$3,448,300
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Total Council Expenses	\$11,659,600

Definitions of the financial information reported by the Graduate Management Admission Council pursuant to Section 99153.

- Line 1 Fees received from test takers for the testing program include fees for the test registration and basic score reporting service. Additional score reports may be purchased by candidates for an additional fee. Other service fees are for late registrations, supplementary test centers, foreign test center surcharges, test center changes, test disclosure materials, and hand rescoring services.
- Line 2 Revenue and expense for the GUIDE TO MBA and the GUIDE TO GMAT are from sale and production of these two publications. The GUIDE TO MBA includes a section about graduate study in management, careers, and descriptions of more than 500 different MBA programs. The GUIDE TO GMAT contains three complete Graduate Management Admission Tests, with correct answers and explanations provided and a math review section. A software version of the GMAT Guide was introduced in fiscal 1986-87.
- Lines 3
  Revenues from the MBA Admission Forums are received from students who attend these events, which gather representatives from the admissions offices of over 75 graduate schools of management in a single location to facilitate the exchange of information with prospective applicants and to provide an opportunity for students to ask questions about the GMAT. Expenses are incurred for planning and operating these programs.
- Line 4 Expenses incurred for test administration include all expenses of test registration, test center administration, test related publications and mailings including test disclosure materials, computer scoring and reporting, statistical analysis, clerical responses to inquiries, and quality assurance.
- Line 5 Expenses for test development in 1986-87 include all expenses incurred for item writing, pretesting, and compilation of test forms, as well as statistical analysis for new test development. These are not the costs of the complete development of any one or more test forms, as the lead time to develop a test form is often 24 months. The test development cost incurred in any single year are for various phases of the development of several different forms.
- Line 6 Expenses are incurred for research concerning various aspects of the GMAT, development, storage, and reporting of technical data and candidate information about the test, and research on the validity of the test performed for individual management schools.

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- Line 7 Expenses included in this line are incurred for development and operation of admissions services for institutions which are broader than those projects included in #6 above. This item also includes expenses for the operations of the Graduate Management Admission Council which are necessary for it to maintain its active role in graduate management education, and responsibility for policy and direction of the testing program. It also includes expenses for education and professional development of admissions officers, the primary user of the test.
- Line 10 Expenses are incurred for publications and programs provided without charge for prospective MBA candidates. These include publications concerning financial aid and information for international students, and programs to promote awareness of graduate management education among members of minority groups.

- (g) Enclosed are copies of the GMAT BULLETIN OF INFORMATION, GMAT CANDIDATE SCORE INTERPRETATION GUIDE, and THE GUIDE TO THE USE OF GMAT SCORES.
  - (h) The mean GMAT scaled score appears in Table 2 of the CANDIDATE SCORE INTERPRETATION GUIDE. The standard error of measurement for the GMAT total score for recent forms is about 26; this information also appears with an explanation in the CANDIDATE GUIDE. Information concerning California test-takers is not available at this time.
- (1)(1) The required information appears in the publication GMAT CANDIDATE
- (2)(3) SCORE INTERPRETATION GUIDE, distributed to all test subjects with
- (4) their score report. It also appears on page 11 of THE GUIDE TO THE USE OF GMAT SCORES, distributed to all institutional score recipients.
  - (j) At this time, this information is not avialable for the 1986-87 testing year.
  - (k) This section is not applicable.
  - (1) None of these data are individually identifiable.

#### 99154

- (a) A copy of the GMAT TECHNICAL REPORT (copyright 1986) containing the required data is enclosed.
- (b) A description of the test including title and purpose of the test, is contained in the GMAT 1986-87 BULLETIN OF INFORMATION for candidates, page 4. A schedule of locations and dates of test administrations in California appears on page 6 of the BULLETIN.
- (c) None of these data are individually identifiable.

#### 99156

- (a) This information is contained in the BULLETIN on pages 4 and 14.
- (b) This information appears on page 4 of the BULLETIN.
- (c) The CANDIDATE SCORE INTERPRETATION GUIDE contains this information.
- (d)(1) This information is contained in the GMAT CANDIDATE SCORE INTERPRETATION GUIDE and in THE GUIDE TO THE USE OF GMAT SCORES on page 11.
  - (2) The Graduate Management Admission Council is not aware of any existing date on this subject. This is stated in the BULLETIN on page 12.
  - (e) This description appears on pages 13 and 14 of the BULLETIN.

- (f)(1) These descriptions appear on pages 14 and 15 of the BULLETIN. (2)(3)
  - (g) This is described on page 14 of the BULLETIN.
  - (h) This is described on page 14 of the BULLETIN.
  - (i) Special services provided for handicapped or disabled test subjects are explained on page 10 of the BULLETIN.
  - (j) The policies and procedures in these situations are described on page 15 of the BULLETIN.
  - (k) A representative set of sample test items appear on pages 16, 17, 18 and 19 of the BULLETIN.
  - (1) Fees for various services are listed on the back cover of the BULLETIN.
- 99157
  (a)(b) Test disclosure services are described on page 13 of the BULLETIN.
  (c)(d)
- (e)(f)
- 99158 Such a policy is in effect for the GMAT program.
- 99159
- (a)(b) The procedures followed are described in ETS PROCEDURES
- (c)(d) FOR QUESTIONED SCORES.
- and
- 99160
- (a)(b)
- (c)(d)
- (e)(f)
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- 99161 The GMAC policy in this regard is articulated on page 14 of the BULLETIN.

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December 1, 1987

Dr. Horace Crandell
California Post-Secondary
Education Commission
1020 12th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Dr. Crandel1:

I am writing to follow-up on my letter of November 10, 1987. I am enclosing the additional information requested under sections 99153, h and j for GMAT test takers during 1986-87. There are two sets of tables, one set for all test takers and one set for California residents only. Each set contains crosstabulations of GMAT total, verbal, and quantitative scores by sex and by U.S. population subgroup. Each box in the crosstabulations contains three numbers describing that subgroup of test takers: the mean score, the count of the number of test takers, and the standard deviation of the score.

Respectfully,

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President

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## Law School Admission Test

# LSAC·LSAS

Law School Admission Council/Law School Admission Services

January 26, 1988

Horace F. Crandell
Postsecondary Education Administrator
California Postsecondary Education Commission
1020 Twelfth St.
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject Law School Admission Council/Law School Admission Services Sponsor of the Law School Admission Test

Dear Dr. Crandell:

I submit herewith material reflective of Law School Admission Council/Law School Admission Services' compliance with Chapter 3 of Part 65 of the Education Code of California (the Act), as it pertains to the Law School Admission Test, a standardized test as described in the Act. These submissions comprise Law School Admission Council/Law School Admission Services' filing under Sections 99153 and 99155 of the Act.

Information required by Section 99153 is reported below for the program year ending June 30, 1987, with reference to applicable subsections of the Act.

Section 99153 (a). Three copies of each version of the test which was disclosed in the prior test year, along with the corresponding acceptable answers, and the methods used to convert raw scores into the test scores reported to test subjects and test score recipients, together with an explanation of that method.

Section 99153 (b). The dates of major or national administration of each test administrated during the testing year:

June 16, 1986 September 27, 1986 December 6, 1986 February 21, 1987

Section 99153 (c). The total number of test subjects who have taken the test at least once: 101,272 (5,851 of these have taken the test at least one previous time in a <u>prior</u> test year), who have taken the test at least twice: 10,978; and who have taken it more than twice: 476 during the testing year.

Section 99153 (d). The total number of test subjects who registered for, but did not take the test. 26,505.

Section 99153 (g). A copy of all documents, pamphlets, and literature provided to the test subject and the test score recipient.

The 1986-1987 LSAT/LSDAS Information Book and Sample LSAT is distributed to all test candidates. Exhibit A, the 1986-1987 Information Book and Sample LSAT contains the information required at the following pages

- a) The purpose for which the test is constructed and intended to be used. Page 8 of Exhibit A.
- b) The subject matters included on each test and the knowledge and skills that the test purports to measure. Pages 8 and 88-104 of Exhibit A.
- c) The manner in which the test is scored and the relationship of the raw and scaled scores to the skills and knowledge it measures. Pages 8, 25-27, and 36-37 of Exhibit A.
- d) The basis upon which such scores will be made available to persons or institutions. Pages 11 and 27-28 of Exhibit A.
- e) A representative set of sample test items. Pages 105-139 of Exhibit A.

The Act requires that test subjects be provided with explanatory information to facilitate proper interpretation of test scores. Test subjects are provided with information on pages 29-37 of Exhibit A that explains the meaning of scores including: Validity, Reliability, Standard Error of Measurement, and Repeater Statistics. Information on these subjects also appears on the reverse of the test score report sent to each test subject. In fulfillment of other obligations, designated institutions that are score recipients have also been provided with this information. They additionally will have received the LSAC/LSAS Desk Book (Exhibit B is an excerpt from the LSAC/LSAS Desk Book) before the first report of test scores in the current test year. A copy of relevant excerpts from the current LSAC/LSAS Desk Book is included with this letter as Exhibit B in compliance with the provision that this information be provided to the Commission "prior to or coincident with the first reporting of test scores to any test score recipient during a testing year." Test dates and locations at which the LSAT was administered in California in 1986-1987 are indicated at page 78 of Exhibit A (1986-1987 LSAS Information Book) and Exhibit D (LSAT Test Centers for 1986-1987). The first test during the 1987-1988 testing year was given on June 15, 1987, with scores to be reported to test score recipients approximately four weeks later.

Test score recipients are provided with standard technical data sufficient to describe the psychometric quality of the test. These are provided in the sources referred to below. Exhibit C contains excerpts from the LSAC/LSAS Desk Book, a manual for users of the Law School Admission Test. Topics covered include: what the test measures (pg.10), test scoring (pg. 12), test reporting (pp.12-13), validity (pp.16-17), standard error of measurement and reliability (pp. 17-18), statistical data for the LSAT-National (pg. 18), and avoiding misuse of the scores (pg. 22).

Section 99153 (h). Where applicable, the national average test score: 29.0; the state average test score: 29.2. Information on the standard error of measurement, and any other existing information relevant to a comparison of the test scores of the state's test subjects with test scores of previous test subjects of the past five years can be found under 99153 (g).

Section 99153 (i). For those tests used to predict academic performance, the most recent national or regional aggregation of data concerning the predictive validity of all of the following:

- 1. Academic record or grades alone
- 2. Standardized test score alone.
- 3. Academic record and test score combined.
- 4. Standardized test scores over and above the predictive validity of academic record alone.

The published reference set entitled Law School Admission Research includes this information in the study designated LSAC 76-78; W. B. Schrader, Summary of Law School Validity Studies, 1948-75, Vol. III p. 519, which was filed with the Commission in September 1979 Volume IV of Law School Admission Research, which was filed with the Commission in December, 1985, includes the most recent data concerning predictive validity in the studies designated LSAT-82-1, F. R. Evans, Recent Trends in Law School Validity Studies, p. 347, and LSAC-83-1, R. L. Linn and C. N. Hastings, A Meta-Analysis of the Validity of Predictors of Performance in Law School. These studies have been distributed to institutions that are test score recipients as required. Over the years, the majority of law schools have participated in statistical studies that compared students' LSAT scores with their first-year grades in law school. Although the correlations between test scores and grades are not perfect, these studies show that LSAT scores help to predict which students will do well in law school. Moreover, a combination of students' scores and undergraduate grade averages gives a better prediction than either factor considered alone. Traditional validity studies concerning the edition of the Law Schol Admission Test first introduced in June 1982 have not as yet been carried out. However, LSAC/LSAS has, for the past three years, conducted preliminary correlation studies for those law schools interested in the preliminary predictive potential of the revised LSAT. As is the case with undergraduate grade averages, the correlation between LSAT scores and first-year law school grades varies from one law school to another. During 1986, preliminary correlation studies were conducted for 140 of the 175 LSAC-member schools. Correlations between LSAT scores and first-year law school grades ranged from .20-.66. Correlations between LSAT scores combined with undergraduate grade averages and first-year law school grades ranged from .33 to .71.

Section 99153 (j). Using available data, the racial, ethnic, and sex breakdown of all test subjects taking the test during the testing year:

57,297
43,947
543
7,573
82,373
1,262
2,195
2,978
1,520
1,831
997

To meet the requirement of Section 99153 (e), (f) and (k), I am enclosing a copy of the 1986-1987 audited financial report for LSAC/LSAS along with detailed information on the fee schedule in use during that fiscal year (Exhibits D and E). As you will note, LSAC/LSAS provides comprehensive admission services to law school applicants and to law schools; thus, allocations of revenue to discrete services would not provide an accurate picture of the relationship of fees to services. We feel that the audited financial report will afford you a greater familiarity with the financial posture of LSAC/LSAS than would be possible by artificially disaggregating financial data and allocating it to specific services.

Information required by Section 99155 is reported below for the program year ending June 30, 1987, with reference to applicable sections of the Act.

Section 99155 (a). The total number of test subjects who listed California as the state of permanent residence: 9,512 (this number includes only first-time test-takers). The total number of test subjects who took the test at a test center located in the state of California: 10,091 (this number may include individuals taking the test more than once).

Section 99155 (b). The performance of California test subjects. The state average score: 29.2. (Please note that this average is for all tests administered in California during the test year. In previous years, the average score reported was for those test subjects who also concurrently or subsequently subscribed to the Law School Data Assembly Service and who had applied to at least one ABA-approved law school. If we had used this same database for 1986-87, the state average score would have been reported as 32.8. In future years LSAC/LSAS will supply the mean score for all tests administered in the state.) Information relevant to a comparison of the test scores of the state's test subjects with test scores of previous subjects of the past five years can be found in this letter of compliance under 99153 (g).

Section 99155 (c). The predictive validity of test scores as specified in subdivision (i) of Section 99153. Information relevant to validity is contained in this letter of compliance under 99153 (i).

Section 99155 (d). A description of the information specified in subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) according to the sex and ethnicity of test subjects.

(a) Using available data, the racial, ethnic and sex breakdown of all test subjects taking the test during the testing year in the state of California:

Male	5,528
Female	4,562
American Indian	86
Black/Afro-American	733
Caucasian/White	7,235
Chicano/Mexican-American	486
Hispanic	339
Asian-American/Pacific Islander	771
Puerto Rican	35
Other	308
No response	98

- (b) Reference 99155 (b), above.
- (c) The published reference set entitled Law School Admission Research includes information on validity broken down by sex, race and ethnic group in the study designated LSAC 76-6; Barbara Pitcher, subgroups validity Study, Vol III p. 413, which was filed with the Commission in January, 1987.

Section 99155 (e). The revenues received by test sponsors, and the proportion of those revenues expended for test development and administration. A copy of the 1986-1987 audited financial report is attached as Exhibit D

This completes the information required by the Act. Please feel free to contact me if I can provide any further information

Rick Batlan Test Production Coordinator

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Enclosure(s)

### **EXHIBITS AND ENCLOSURES**

- Exhibit A 1986-87 LSAS Information Book and Sample LSAT
- Exhibit B Excerpt from 1987-88 LSAC/LSAS Desk Book
- Exhibit C LSAT Test Centers for 1986-1987
- Exhibit D LSAC/LSAS Inc. Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance

Exhibit E- Fee Schedule 1986-1987 Information Book, pp. 15-17.

Enclosures

- Disclosed test (3 copies) and answer keys June 16, 1986
   September 27, 1986
   December 6, 1986
   February 21, 1987
- 2) 1986-1987 Law School Admission Information Book and Sample LSAT
- 3) Excerpts from 1987/88 LSAC/LSAS Desk Book
- 4) LSAT Test Centers for 1986-1987
- 5) LSAC/LSAS Inc Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance
- 6) Fee Schedule 1986-1987

# LAW SCHOOL ADMISSION SERVICES, INC. AND LAW SCHOOL ADMISSION COUNCIL, INC.

# Combined Statement of Revenues and Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance

	Year Ended June 30	
	1987	1986
Revenues		
Admission service fees	\$13,317,340	\$10,523,579
Publication programs	626,168	380,888
Student loan program	511,166	339,003
Conference fees	241,948	194,067
Data output and reports	127,262	55,684
Interest income	906,623	726,624
Miscellaneous income	13,186	8,023
(Loss) gain on sale of investments	(27,034)	24,932
Total revenues	15,716,659	12,252,800
Net book value of removed assets (note 1)	(307,457)	
Total net revenues	15,409,202	12,252,800
Expenses		
Personnel costs (notes 1 and 5)	3,546,198	3,563,406
Professional services	1,977,003	1,679,144
Law school education programs	292,100	474,468
Physical plant costs	594,002	666,503
Equipment, supplies, materials and maintenance	2,797,193	2,904,190
Communications and shipping	1,180,194	877,713
General business expenses	765,816	662,187
Total expenses	11,152,506	10,827,611
Excess of revenues over expenses	4,256,696	1,425,189
Fund balance, beginning of year	9,075,740	7,650,551
Fund balance, end of year	\$13,332,436	\$ 9,075,740

# Medical College Admission Test

# association of american medical colleges

January 29, 1988

Norman Charles
California Postsecondary
Education Commission
Second Floor
1020 Twelfth Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Mr. Charles:

The information contained herein is submitted in response to the requirements of Sections 99153 through 99155 of the California Education Code concerning the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT).

The summary of income and expenses for the MCAT and the American Medical College Application Service (AMCAS) as required by the Code 1s delineated on the attached statement. The following data on the MCAT are reported for the July 1, 1986, to June 30, 1987, test year:

Total number of tests administered.	38,557
Total number of individuals taking the MCAT once during the test year:	35,635
Total number of individuals taking the MCAT twice during the test year:	1,461
Total number of individuals who registered but did not take the test for which they registered:	6,744

Since the test is given only twice during the test year, this also represents the maximum number of times an individual can sit for the test. The MCAT fee was \$65.00 for the Fall 1986 administration and \$75.00 for the Spring 1987 administration. It is important to note that individuals who register for a specific test administration and subsequently do not sit for that test are provided the opportunity to register for the following test administration for a fee of \$10.00. The remainder of the previously submitted registration fee is credited toward the individual's second registration.

Norman Charles January 29, 1988 Page Two

The distributions of MCAT scores for examinees who declared California as their legal state of residence for the two reported administrations are enclosed. The two enclosures entitled "Table 1" represent the distribution of MCAT scores for all examinees who sat for the same administrations.

If you have any questions concerning any of the enclosed information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. Beran, Ph.D. Assistant Vice President Section for Student and Educational Programs

RLB:lt Enclosures.

September 1986 "Table 1"

April 1987 "Table 1"

MCAT 1986 Summary of Score Distributions

The MCAT Student Manual Registration Packet

# STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES MEDICAL COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TEST (MCAT) AMERICAN MEDICAL COLLEGE APPLICATION SERVICE (AMCAS) FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 1986 TO JUNE 30, 1987

	MCAT	AMCAS
EXPENSES		
A Directly Attributable to the Test		
MCAT Research and Development     Operations     Interpretive Services & Information Dissemination     Reserve for Future Redesign     Special Legal Services	306,755 1,497 585 544 302 166,315 150,322	33,685
B Indirectly Attributable to the Test -		
1) Overhead	174,175	694.262
C Data Assembly Services		
1) AMCAS Reporting 2) AMCAS Development	-	2,420,014 36,640
TOTAL EXPENSES	2,839,454	3,184,601
INCOME		
MCAT Testing Fees Additional MCAT Score Report Fees AMCAS Fees	2,936,073 163,939 -	- 3,723,374
TOTAL INCOME	3,100,012	3,723,374
INCOME OVER EXPENSES	260,558	538,773

MCAT RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT - Continued development of test items and forms and research concerned with test interpretation

OPERATIONS - Activities associated with national test administration and score reporting

INTERPRETIVE SERVICES & INFORMATION DISSEMINATION - Provision of materials, reports, and consulation regarding MCAT interpretation and performance

OVERHEAD - 72% on salaries of AAMC personnel Calculated at federally audited rate

AMCAS REPORTING - Organization, validation, and dissemination of application materials, including MCAT scores

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## STANDARDIZED TESTS USED FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSION AND PLACEMENT IN CALIFORNIA DURING 1987

## California Postsecondary Education Commission Report 88-14

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